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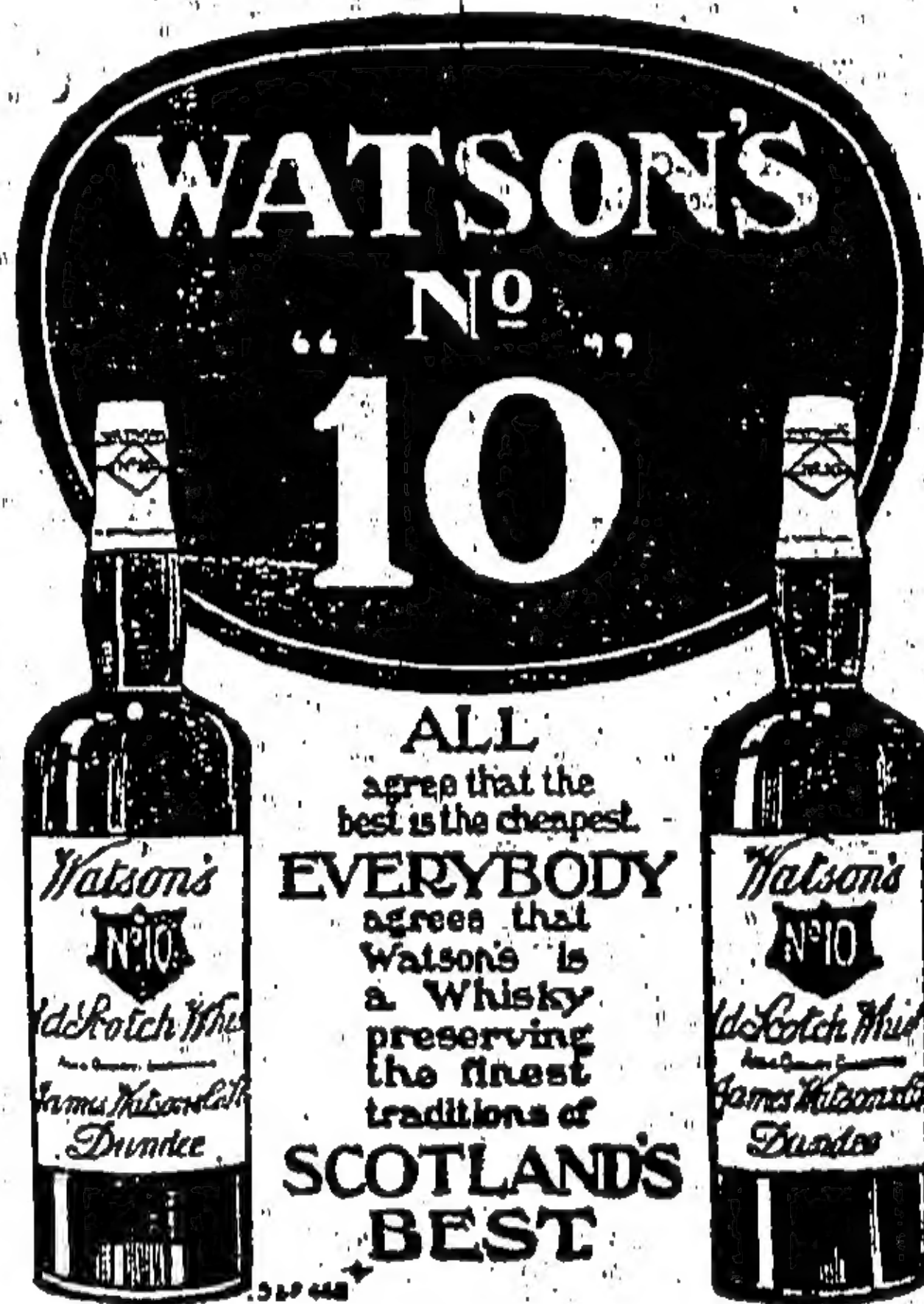
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AN ABSTRACT OF THE CONCRETE. INTERESTING UNITED STATES STATISTICS

A "STATISTICAL FRIEND'S" HOLIDAY TASK.

Nine hundred and twenty-three pages of figures, thirty-five pages of index by way of finger posts through the maze, and only four lines of reading matter go to make up the "Statistical Abstract of the United States for 1931" issued on New Year's Eve to those interested in Hong Kong, as a New Year's gift for 1932. It is not surprising that, having collected all the figures for 1931, it took the rest of 1932 to arrange them in this monumental volume. The product is a mass of interesting and valuable information about Cousin Jonathan and all his affairs. The statistics are presented historically, too; one advantage in handling the records of a comparatively young country being that it is possible to give the figures "from the very beginning"; many of the tables are carried back to 1790. Dates when various States were admitted to the Union are given; the one fact which seems to have been omitted from the volume is the date when the United States began. But we are wise, posed, no doubt, to remember that from our school days, there can be very few questions, assuredly, about the great United States of America, on which some information is not to be quarried from amongst these millions and millions of figures.

Would you know the latest statistics of population? Certainly. You can have them by States, by decades since 1790, by colour and race, by sex, by school age, by militia and voting ages, by occupations; and in thirty or forty other variations. A country by States, and a cross-check by geographical divisions, shows that there are now 107 millions of people in the United States. New York State contains the largest number (14 millions); Philadelphia has eight (11 million six); and California (our neighbour in a business sense) three millions. The bleak State of Nevada contains only 77,000 people. Since the 1910 census, the population of the U.S.A. has grown by 14 millions; the increase of 1910 on 1900 was 16 millions; 1900 on 1890, 14 millions and 1890 on 1880, 13 millions. Way back in 1790 there were not four millions of people in the whole country. The negro population now numbers 10 millions, being 9.9 per cent. of the total; there has been a steady rise of a million a decade since 1890. Chinese are to be found in all States; but principally in California (28,812); the total is 61,632, as compared with 111,010 Japanese.

MILLIONS OF UNSURVEYED ACRES STILL.
The process of taking possession of the United States proceeds apace, but is not finished yet. A table of "areas unsurveyed and unsurveyed" shows that there are still over 60 million unsurveyed acres—the greater part in the mountainous uplands of Nevada (22 million acres) and Utah (14 millions). However, enormous progress has been made in the last twenty years, for the 60 million unsurveyed acres compares with 602 millions in 1900.

The United States is no longer primarily an agricultural country. Her 10,933,158 workers in agriculture, forestry and animal husbandry are outnumbered now by the 19,815,534 people who are engaged in manufacturing and mechanical industries. In many pages of "occupations, male and female" it is noticeable how few there are in which women do not share, but women have not taken the place of men to the extent that a typographical error on page 308 would lead one to suppose. The grand total has, accidentally, been placed under "males"; the figures for males appear under "females" and the figures for females appear under "grand total." This makes it appear that there are 41 million male workers in gainful occupations, and 33 million women workers. It should be 33 million male workers, 8 million women workers: total 41 millions. A "cross-check" table, by States, on the next page, gives the figures in their proper sequence. So admirably are the various tables arranged and contrasted that a slip need not long mislead. Wage earners in manufacturing industries are shown separately from occupational workers and number 7,867,031 men and 1,929,341 women.

WORK THAT WOMEN DO.
There are 2 women foresters in the States, one woman worker at the forge, 11,000 compositors, six who work at the furnace but none in the classes "ladlers, pourers and puddlers." These are plumbers and three stonecutters, a quarter of a million work in the clothing industries; one in a coppermith, two are captains of vessels (water transportation); three are auctioneers and over a thousand are prepared to bury folk. None have joined the fire brigades but there are over 2,000 in the police force. The moving pictures, rather over-stress the prominence of women sheriffs—only 56 are to be found in the country. The woman preacher, however, is a growing force; there are 1,787 of her. In the other, learned professions women make a considerable figure. There are ten thousand women professors (men number little more than double); 1,829 women dentists, 1,738 lawyers, judges and justices, and 7,219 doctors. There are 8 women aeronauts. Amongst "fortune tellers, hypnotists, and spiritualists" women are in the majority: 668 against 520 men. The table makes a queer list of almost invidious distinction in the line "Healers (except physicians and surgeons)" women also have a majority of a thousand in this class. "Turpin and

sportsmen: men, 1,835; women, 1; "seers" rather to suggest that only one woman in the whole of the United States is "a seer." There are no women coachmen or footmen but one fills the position of a butler out of 10,690 people who follow that occupation. In stenography and typing women carry all before them—564,000 to 50,000 men. One thing should be mentioned before leaving this record of 40 million busy people. The table is headed, "Population 10 years of age and upward engaged in gainful occupations." How many of the total, one may speculate, begin work as early as ten years of age? But on this subject the tables give no information.

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE IN U.S.A.
Vital statistics are always interesting. For every 100 people who die in the U.S.A., 180 are born; the general death rate is 13.1 per thousand and the infantile death rate 88 per thousand. This latter compares with 88.3 in Canada, and 75.6 in England, Scotland and Wales. Organic diseases of the heart (124,000), pneumonia (120,000), and tuberculosis (100,000) kill the greatest numbers of people.

Marital condition by sex, by colour and by States gives a total of 11 million single males and 5 million single women (whites); about 19 million married couples and 207,933 divorced males and 223,965 divorced women (whites). A great deal is heard about the ease with which a divorce may be obtained in the United States so the statistics on that subject. From 1880 to 1900 marriages increased from 631,000 to 850,000 a year and divorces increased, at a somewhat more rapid rate, from 31,000 to 72,000. Then the tables tell us no more till 1918 when there were 1,000,000 marriages and 110,000 divorces, in round figures. No reason is given for omitting the story of the years between but it appears that, as compared with 1880, the year's list of marriages in the United States has doubled and divorces have quadrupled. But one is not quite satisfied with this method of presenting the situation. There seems to be no necessary connection between the year's marriages and the year's divorces, although Table 83 sets them side by side. Previous years' marriages are, as it were, a reservoir of potential divorces and the situation is probably presented in truer proportion in the marital condition tables referred to above. These show half-a-million divorced persons, both sexes, white and black; as contrasted with 48 millions of married or widowed people, both sexes, white and black. Roughly, the proportion of divorced people to married and widowed people in the United States is one per cent. Table 83 shows that, curiously enough, erring husbands have always been in the proportion of two to one of erring wives. In a long course of years 65 to 68 out of every 100 divorces have been granted at the suit of wives and from 32 to 35 out of every 100 at the suit of husbands.

LIQUOR CONSUMPTION UNDER PROHIBITION.
Another table of topical interest is that setting forth the consumption of alcoholic liquors in the United States. By an unfortunate omission, the exact date of the enactment of general prohibition is not stated at the head of, nor in a footnote to the table, speaking from memory, however, this change took place soon after the war, about 1918. A tremendous fall in consumption is recorded. From 167 million proof gallons of spirits in 1917 the consumption dropped in 1920 to 94 millions; wines from 42 millions to 12 millions and malt liquors from 1,865 millions to 281 millions. In 1921, however, the figures under each head hint at a reaction: 24 has risen to 35; 12 to 20 and 281 to 285.

RAILWAY AND AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS.
The U.S.A. has long had an unenviable notoriety for railway accidents. Over 6,495 people, including 529 passengers were killed on the railways in 1920, and 63,785 were injured, of whom 42,940 were trainmen on duty. Motor-cars killed another 4,116 people, and if one were to add the totals of industrial accidents and fatalities, given in other tables, the total would give a grim indication of the toll in human life levied by modern civilization.

THE POPULARITY OF MOTOR VEHICLES.
Having mentioned motor-cars it is interesting to come upon comparative statistics of motor vehicles by specified countries (p. 920). The number in Hong Kong is given as 560; the United States has 9,211,298; that is to say, one to every 13 of the population! Great Britain and Ireland come next in the list with 450,111; and Canada is a good third with 403,111; especially considering that that figure gives a very high average on Canada's population. France has 292,500 motor vehicles; no other country gets into five figures. Statistics for the Far East may be of interest. China is down for 6,000; Japan, 11,750; F.M.S., 4,000; French Indo-China, 2,000; Philippine Islands, 15,709; Siam, 1,200; Straits Settlements, 4,500.

HETEROGENEOUS RELIGIONS.
It has been unkindly said that the United States is the home of quick medicines and quick religions. One would not be so rash as to say that these multi-colored tables contain no information on the subject of "patent" medicines but a careful search has failed to reveal any. Two pages (out of 923) are devoted to statistics of religious organizations and the list is certainly not encouraging to those who hope for the Reunion of Christendom. Here are a few of the denominations reported, taken at random: Adventists (5 bodies); Baptists: North, South, Coloured, and Other (14 bodies); Brethren (Dunkers), Churches of the Brethren (Conservative); (those who do not "dunk")—Brethren, Other, 4 bodies; Latter-Day Saints (two divi-

sions); Lutherans, seven sorts specified by name, and then—"Other, 14 bodies"; Mennonites (18 bodies); Methodists: white, 3 sorts; other white (5 bodies); African, 2 bodies; Coloured, 1; other coloured (8 bodies). After enumerating a great many more, even the patient statisticians who compiled this volume get weary and tuck away 7,873 religious organizations under the sweeping generalisation: "All other, (81 bodies)." It is noteworthy, however, that these various religious organisations between them claim to influence over half the population of the States; they return 42 million members and 20 million Sunday School scholars.

A "MUSHROOM GROWTH" OF SHIPPING.

It is difficult to know where to stop delving into this most informative volume. One must extract a few figures about shipping. Here may be seen, in one small table, the startling development of the Merchant Marine of the United States during the post-war years. In the twenty years before 1914, U.S. merchant tonnage rose slowly from 4 to 7 million tons, taking about seven years to add each million. In 1918, alone, a million tons were added, making the then total almost 10 million tons. Shipyards then broke out into feverish energy. The next year saw 3 million tons added and 1920 four millions more. The pace was reduced in 1921, only two million tons being built. As a consequence, the U.S. Shipping Board on June 30th, 1921 owned steel, wood and composite, concrete and other vessels of a total of 11 million deadweight tons. (Table 283). The U.S.A. now has over 15 million tons of shipping as compared with the British Empire's 21 millions.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

A few pages further on, we come to "The Panama Canal, General Ledger Account." The bare cost of that mighty undertaking, irrespective of equipment, is given as 353 million dollars and it appears to cost more every year, to maintain. In 1920 this item amounted to 6 million dollars and in 1921, 9 millions. Tolls bring in more than this; however, and Table 288 shows the following revenue earned in excess of expenses: 1919, \$240,000; 1920, \$2,387,000; 1921, \$3,711,000. But there is nothing in the accounts by way of interest on first cost. The Canal is of as much value to British as to United States shipping, for, since it has been opened, 18 millions of British tonnage have passed through, as compared with 19 millions U.S.A.

HONGKONG THE SECOND GREATEST PORT.

As to the tonnage movement of specified ports of the world, the reader is warned that the figures are not comparative. No little uniformity is there in the measurement methods adopted by different countries that a variation of 30% must be allowed for. Nevertheless, the temptation to set out the figures for what they are worth and see where Hong Kong stands in the list of the world's great ports is irresistible. These are "Uncle Sam's" figures, and they give him the leading place, with Hong Kong third, narrowly beaten by Antwerp:—

	Total tonnage entered and cleared.
New York (1921)	31,940,000
Antwerp (1921)	25,282,000
(a) Hongkong (1920)	24,184,000
(a) Shanghai (1920)	22,486,000
Hamburg (1921)	18,864,000
London (1920)	18,535,000
(a) Excluding junk.	

Reference to the Harbour Master's report, however, shows that the comparable figure for Hongkong, for 1921, is 27,852,618 tons, which gives Hongkong the second place for that year. If the local trade were included, Hongkong's total would be 43,420,970 tons which would put it far ahead of New York.

EUROPE'S LITTLE BILL TO U.S.A.

Finally (though this survey leaves hundreds of pages in oblivion), this intriguing and topical headline appears over a section of the "contents": "Obligations due to the United States Government." The British reader will naturally want to know the amount at which the U.S.A. computes our debt. Table 402—which might be headed—"Europe, debtor to U.S.A." sets out, in Oh! so little space, the affrighting total, \$9,587,518,741 and nine cents. It seems that Belgium (in borrowing 349 million dollars) had 89 cents once; instead of making it the even dollar. Great Britain's share is \$4,277,000,000. Of course, this table does not show how much of it was borrowed for the Allies. France owes nearly three thousand millions and Italy about half as much as that. It is noted that during 1921, France repaid 15 millions of the principal, and Great Britain 30 millions.

The four lines of reading matter in this amazing collection of statistics mentioned at the beginning of this article may fittingly be quoted, in conclusion, in all their modest simplicity, indicating as they do that, the United States, like Great Britain, has at her command a Civil Service which puts through enormous tasks efficiently (gibes in "popular" newspapers notwithstanding) and "vaunteth not itself" on its achievements. In these four lines, Mr. Julius Klein, Director of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, "has the honour" to submit to Mr. Hoover, for publication, the forty-fourth issue of the Statistical Abstract of the United States, and he adds only this: "As in former years, the preparation of this publication has been in charge of Mr. Edward Whitney, of the Research Division." Well done, Mr. Whitney!

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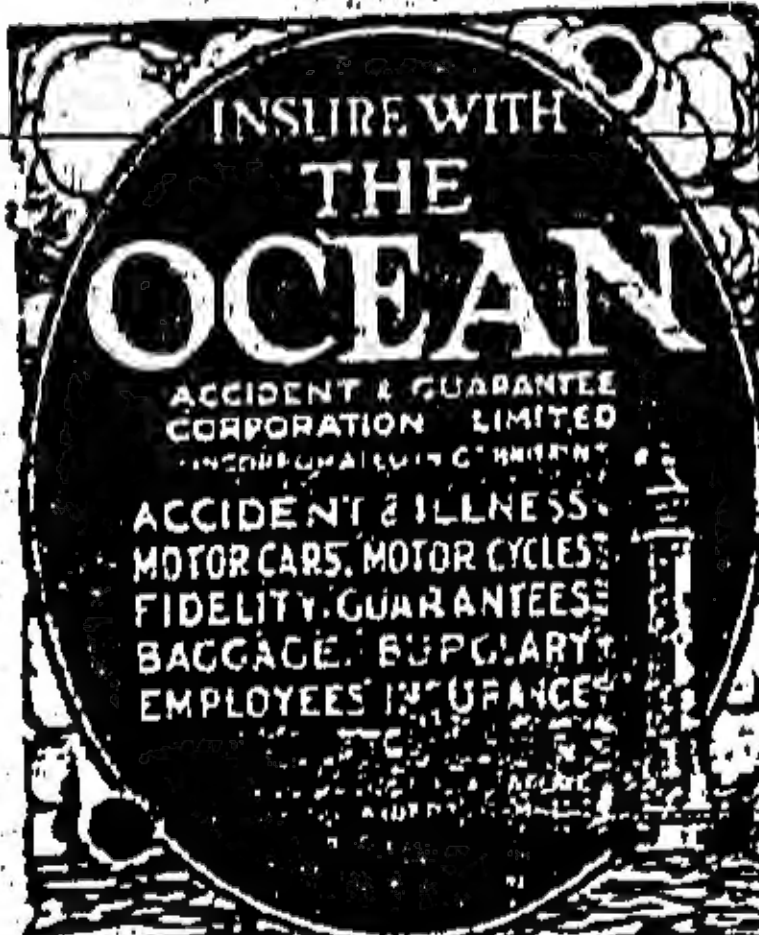
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H.M.S. Titania 2 South China "B" 0

KING'S v. "CARLISLE."

On the Navy "B" ground before a good number of spectators the King's beat the Carlisle by two goals to nil. The King's greatly missed Wynne at back who was absent through injuries received, in the Navy v. Army match on New Year's Day. The Carlisle went off with great dash from the kick off and in the opening minutes scored, but the goal was disallowed for offside play. Shortly afterwards, the King's forced a corner on the left and Scott placing well from the flag kick, Jones headed the ball past Brown. The sailors took the ball towards the soldiers' goal and for a time pressed the defence but could not score. The interval arrived with the King's leading by a goal to nil.

From the restart the Carlisle took up the attack but Downward sent in wide Williams ended a run for the soldiers by shooting the wrong side of the post. The Carlisle put the King's on the defensive and were awarded a penalty, from which Botting failed to score. At the other end Jones was running through when he was fetched down in the penalty area and Newton made no mistake, beating Brann with a low drive. Corners fell to both sides but no further scoring took place and the game ended in a win for the King's as above. The teams:—

King's: Blance, Griffiths and Williams; Newton, Hodgson and Barlow; Williams, Hart, Lt. Jones, Dyer and Scott.

Carlisle: Brown, Hagger and Watson; Jarrett, Eldrett and Botting; Blacknell, Wright, Todd, Murphy and Downward. Referee: Mr. Hollans.

"TITANIA" v. "HAWKINS."

This match was played on the Navy "A" ground before a good number of blue-jackets and ended in a draw of one goal all. The Titania started the game and were the first to attack but their shooting was wild. Offside against Bates relieved and the Hawkins going down Pound sent in wide. At the other end Bates brought Hooper to his knees to save a ground shot. Phillips punched the ball away from an overhead kick by Osborne and after a flying visit by the Titania to the other end, the Hawkins returned and Osborne, taking advantage of a faulty clearance by the back, sent the ball into the net and gave the Hawkins the lead.

The Titania took up the attack from the centre and Hooper was well upon to save shots from Emery and Bates. During a scramble in the Hawkins' goalmouth, Hooper failed to clear, and Emery headed into the net, making the score one all. Just before the interval Stocks ran through and, with only Hooper to beat, miskicked in front of goal thus losing a good chance of giving the Titania the lead. Half time, one all.

Resuming Barkham was sent away on the Hawkins right but sent the ball behind and a moment later Phillips had to fist out a shot from the right, but made a weak clearance and the ball coming out to Pound that player lost control close in and Phillips cleared. The remainder of the game was of the give and take order with Phillips having more to do than Hooper, but there was no further scoring and the game ended as above. The teams:—

Titania: Phillips, Lanning and McGarrigle; Bone, Weeden and Bradshaw; Grice, Rogers, Emery, Stocks and Bates. Hawkins: Adkins and Moss; Strick, Crowe and Sawyer; Barkham, Wrigley, Osborne, Pound and O'Neill. Referee: Mr. Smith.

CLUB v. POLICE.

At Sookunpoo before a good attendance these teams played a goalless draw. Angus turned out in goal for the Club but was not severely tested during the game. The game was very clean and opened very fast with the Club doing the attacking. Individual play by the Club forwards spoilt many a good chance to score. Begg, trying to go through on his own, was beaten by the defence. The entire Police team worked hard and Swan was in great form in goal. The Police front line missed several good chances through hanging on to the ball and they were subdued by a strong Club defence. Forsyth made a good effort late in the first half but Clark charged down the shot when a goal seemed certain. The interval arrived with the score sheet blank, which was quite in agreement with the play, the Club being the most aggressive but their shooting erratic.

From the restart the game went in favour of the Club who were very weak in front of goal. Forsyth was the shining light in the forward line, and on one occasion he ran through and gave to England who was unmarked, but the Club winger failed to centre and the ball went out of play. The Police front line tried

to break through but found the halves too strong for them and they rarely passed the halfway line. During a scramble in the goalmouth the Club had a good opportunity to take the lead but Begg sent the ball hard against the crossbar. Things looked bad for the Club when Valentine broke clean through the defence. Garrard recovered, however, and cleared in the nick of time. Hands against the Police just outside the penalty area gave the Club a good opening, and McPhail gave the ball to McBride who shot wide from a good position. A moment later McBride was given another chance to open for the Club, but again he sent the ball wide from close in. The Club did most of the attacking and forced two corners, both of which the Police cleared. The Police transferred through Valentine, who dribbled well. When tackled by Garrard he sent the ball out to the right, and it was sent in wide. Begg was prominent with a fine effort, but the goalkeeper cleared cleverly. Swan was again called upon to save from Begg who sent in a lightning drive from twenty yards range, but the custodian was very safe. The Club were playing by far the better game and would have held a substantial lead had their forwards been better marksmen. From a corner kick Swan punched the ball away, but Begg returned with a rasping shot which missed by inches only, with Swan beaten. Time arrived with a blank sheet, but the Police were very fortunate to share the points as they never looked like scoring. In the Club defence, Garrard was always prominent with his sure tackling and fine kicking. Stewart was very good and was well backed up by his wing halves. Begg and Forsyth were the pick of the forwards. In goal the Police had a very capable defender in Swan while the backs and halves played a sound defensive game. Dr. Valentine was the only forward to inspire confidence in the team. The teams:—

Club: Angus, Gerrard and Israel; Valentine, Stewart and McPhail; McTavish, Forsyth, Begg, McBride and England.

Police: Swan, J. Clark and McWalter; McLaren, Forbes and Post; Robertson, McEwen, Johnson, Dr. Valentine and Simpson. Referee: Mr. Collins.

"TAMAR" v. KOWLOON.

This game, played at Kowloon, ended in a win for the visitors by a goal to nil. Kowloon got well away from the kick off but Mason sent the ball over the bar from a centre by Clemo. At the other end Hill tested Woodman, but the goalkeeper was safe. Play was fairly even with the home team slightly the better, but their shooting was bad. Brown forced Grant to concede a corner and Mason sent the ball behind from the flag kick. Before the interval the Tamar tried to take the lead but Woodman defended well and at lemon time the score sheet was blank.

From the restart the Tamar took up the attack and Pascoe handled just clear of the penalty line. From a scramble following the free kick, Handford netted for the Tamar. Kowloon took up the attack in earnest and Brown was fouled inside the penalty area. Mason took the kick, but Routley turned the ball over the bar. Before the close Kowloon were awarded a penalty for hands and Wheeler taking the kick sent the ball into Routley's hands and he had no difficulty in clearing. The game ended as above. Teams:—

Tamar: Routley, Smith and Grant; Prior, Oxland and Markwell; Handford, Roberts, Veness and Sadler. Kowloon: Woodman; Wheeler and Knight; Morrison, King and McKelvie; Brown, Pascoe, Mason, Duncan and Clemo. Referee: Mr. Perryman.

SOUTH CHINA v. R.G.A.

The usual crowd of Chinese lined the ropes of the South China ground long before the time for the kick off. The game started ten minutes after time. South China pressed but the R.G.A. defence held out for a time until Wong Pak Chong got through and opened the score for the South China this being the only score at the interval. From the restart South China got well away and Wong Pak Chong put them further ahead. Being two goals down the R.G.A. put on pressure and Pascoe beat Lau and shortly afterwards, Lellicott getting through made the scores level. Each team struggled hard for the lead but time ended as above. The teams:—

R.G.A.: Phillips, Gilding and Frampton; Bailey, Pascoe and Keay; Green, Lellicott, McHugh, Couzens and Harris. South China: Lau Hing Cheung; Tai Yuk and Chan So; Leung Yuk Tong, Leung Tai Fong, Lam Yuk Ying, Chui Kwong Yung, Leung Wing Tak, Wong Pak Chong, Wong Shui Wa and Chan Kwong Yiu. Referee: Mr. Garton.

"HAWKINS" RES. v. "CARLISLE" RES. At Sookunpoo the Hawkins won by eleven goals to nil. Rope (9) Beading, Wellman and Hale scored before the interval and Wellman (4) Pope and Beading added goals in the second half.

KING'S RES. v. UNIVERSITY.

On the Club ground the King's won by three goals to nil. Burnett opened the score and before the interval Fry put the King's further ahead. Fry scored again in the second half. (Continued at foot of next column.)

CHINESE INDENTURED
LABOUR.

IN NAURU AND SAMOA.

Writing in the *Manchester Guardian* on "British Mandates in the Pacific" Mr. John H. Harris says:—

During the discussions upon the mandates in Geneva, both in the Assembly and in the Commissions, the disability imposed on States other than British with regard to the phosphates received very little attention, but members showed the deepest concern with regard to the conditions of Chinese labour both in Nauru and Samoa. The President of the Permanent Mandates Commission, the Marquis Theodor, had drawn the attention of the Council to these conditions in very forcible language. The responsibility of Great Britain for the condition, and maintenance of this labour is clear, for not only are we partners in the exploitation of the phosphates, but British colonial officials in Hongkong are the intermediaries for making not only the agreements but the "importations and conditions of work." How many Chinese labourers have been imported recently it is difficult to say, but there appears to be a total on the two islands of Nauru and Samoa of not less than 1,000 and not more than 3,000. The Chinese are brought over in batches under an indenture of three years, and in Nauru, if not in Samoa, they appear to be shut up in compounds, the men are unaccompanied by women, and the Assembly was assured that steps are taken to keep them away from native women. Apparently the total area of exploitation in Nauru does not exceed a patch of 50 acres, within the confines of which are to be found the machinery of the shallow mines, the buildings necessary to the exploitation of the phosphate, and confined in this area are hundreds of male coolies without their women folk and with never a hope of liberty even in the tiny world of 5,000 acres beyond the walls of their compound, and in these conditions they must labour for three years!

There was no suggestion before the Assembly of the League that any steps are being taken to discover other sources of labour; indeed, the Governments concerned appear to be quite ready to defend this system as a "regrettable necessity." The question, therefore, arises how long this is to be tolerated. The Pacific Phosphate Company, to be bought out from Ocean and Nauru islands for a sum of £24,000,000 by a sinking fund covering principal and interest over a period of 50 years, and the total purchase price will not be liquidated until 1970. Presumably, therefore, it is proposed to continue these conditions of labour until 1970. In Samoa the object of this Chinese labour is the production of copra (dried coconut), and the conditions are identical with those of Nauru, with the exception that it is not yet clear whether the rigid control of the Chinese coolies involves keeping them enclosed in compounds. Sir James Allen, when defending the system before the League Assembly, said: "The Chinese are kept by themselves as far as is possible to do so, and they are repatriated at the end of three years. . . . They find it difficult in three years to learn enough of the Samoan language and Samoan customs to be associated in any close relationship, at any rate, with the Samoan women."

The unreasonableness of the League of Nations with regard to the conditions under which the Chinese coolies are brought to and retained in the island of Nauru was voiced by the Marquis Theodor, chairman of the Permanent Mandates Commission, who, in his report, said: "It is, however, clear that, in spite of the guarantees incorporated in the mandate, the position of a Chinese coolie who is bound by a three-year contract, and who has been conveyed to a foreign land thousands of miles from his kith and kin, calls for the greatest care on the part of the administration of the Mandatory Powers."

"MARAZION" v. R.G.A. RES.

At Sookunpoo the R.G.A. played ten men only throughout and the sailors won by the odd goal in five. Johnson and Polo scored for the sailors and Wilson and Best for the soldiers before the interval. After the change of ends Johnson scored for the sailors and won the game.

SOUTH CHINA "A" v. KOWLOON RES.

Playing at home the "A" team beat Kowloon by a goal to nil. Kum Fook scored. The "A" team were awarded a penalty from which Choi-Ping-Fun failed to score.

"TITANIA" RES. v. S. CHINA "B."

On the Navy "B" ground the sailors won by 2 goals to nil. At the interval the score sheet was blank. Keefer and Gale scored for the sailors in the closing half.

WARDENS v. POLICE.

Playing on the St. Joseph's ground the Wardens obtained their first win in the league, beating the Police by two goals to nil. Chant and Bland scored.

"AMBROSE" v. AUXILIARIES.

On the Navy "A" ground the Ambrose won by three goals to nil. Davis opened the score and at the interval the Ambrose was leading by a goal. In the closing half Carter and Carr put the Ambrose further ahead.

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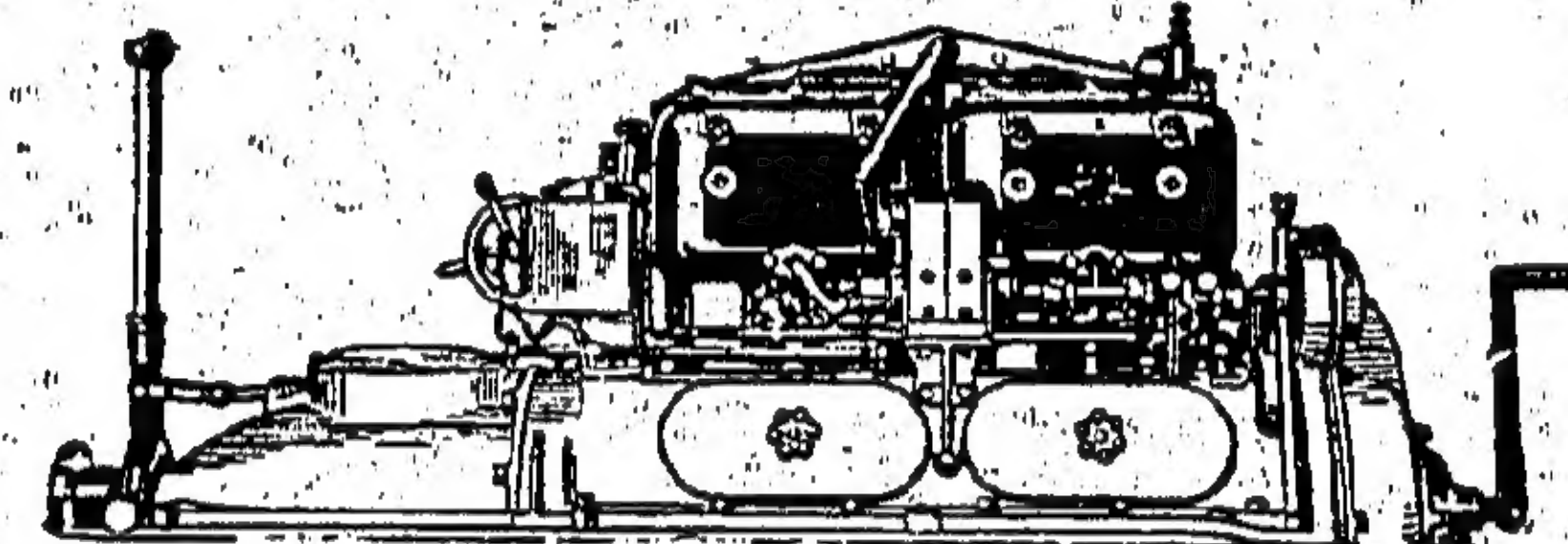
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CRICKET.

FIRST LEAGUE

NAVY v. CRAIGENGOWER.

In a first league match, at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon, Craigen-gower gained a surprise victory over the Navy. The match had an exciting finish. Craigen-gower barely managing to win by six runs.

The Navy batted first and were all out for 162. The Rev. Purcell's steady batting was responsible for 49 which included 3 fours only. Lieut. Skinner contributed 42 not out, of which 29 were secured by boundaries.

Lieut. Adcock, bowling for Craigen-gower, took two wickets in his first over, for no runs.

Craigen-gower's first three wickets went down for 20 and then the score was carried to 117 before the fourth fell. Omar and Grimes making a very fine stand. Omar just missed the half-century by 2 runs and Grimes was stumped shortly after passing that mark. Omar hit out vigorously and had ten boundaries. Grimes included 8 fours. The side was out for 158.

Midshipman Sladen took three wickets for eight runs.

NAVY.	
Rev. Purcell, c Brabury, b Lawrence	49
Mid. Evans, b Abbas	28
Comm. Wood, c Evans, b Adcock	2
Lieut. Lindsell, b Adcock	0
Lieut. Wallace, b Adcock	7
Eng.-Comm. Edwards, run out	1
Lieut. Skinner, not out	42
Mid. Sladen, c Evans, b Adcock	3
Lieut. Dundas, l.b.w. Lawrence	0
Comm. Hudson, b Abbas	4
Capt. Quinlan, b Omar	8
Extras	10

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
U. Omar	7.4	0	49	1
E. W. Major	7	0	28	1
M. H. Abbas	2	0	28	2
T. Grimes	2	0	4	0
Lieut. Adcock	8	1	93	4
F. E. Lawrence	3	0	8	2

CRAIGENGOWER.

R. Bass, b Quinlan	2
F. E. Lawrence, c Skinner, b Evans	17
U. Omar, c and b Wallace, b Quinlan	48
Lieut. Adcock, c Edwards, b Quinlan	0
T. Grimes, st. Edwards, b Wood	51
B. W. Brabury, b Wood	0
M. H. Abbas, b Wallace	18
E. W. Major, st. Edwards, b Sladen	6
Sladen, D. Evans, st. Edwards, b Sladen	0
D. Mackintosh, l.b.w. Sladen	5
S. Hope, not out	4
Extras	7
Total	158

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Mid. Evans	4	0	25	1
Comm. Wood	6	0	32	2
Capt. Quinlan	6	1	24	2
Mid. Sladen	3	0	8	3
Lieut. Skinner	2	0	15	0
Comm. Hudson	2	0	16	0
Lieut. Wallace	10	2	27	2

INFANTRY v. B.G.A.

This first league match resulted in a win for the B.G.A. by 31 runs. Going in first the Garrison Artillery scored 144. Capt. Oliver and Major Mathews scoring 47 each. The only other two batsmen to reach double figures were Sgt. Stevens and Holloway. The "tail" was weak.

Lieut. White, bowling for the Infantry, met with great success and took 8 wickets for 11 runs.

The Infantry replied with 113 runs. Capt. Dods was in good form and knocked up half-a-century (not out).

B.G.A.	
Capt. Olliver, c Wright, b Bacon	4
Lieut. Chester, c le Fleming, b Hannay	8
Major Mathews, b White	4
Capt. P. H. Davies, b White	0
Lieut. Parkes, c le Fleming, b White	4
Sergt. Stevens, not out	1
Sergt. Holloway, b White	1
Capt. Cumming, b White	1
B.S.M. Williams, b White	0
Gnr. Brennan, b White	1
Gnr. J. Davis, c le Fleming, b White	3
Extras	8
Total	14

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt. Hannay	4	0	17	1
Capt. le Fleming	3	1	17	0
Capt. Dods	4	0	25	0
Lt. Col. Martin	3	0	27	0
Lieut. Bacon	4	0	33	1
Lieut. White	6.3	0	17	8

INFANTRY.

Major Wright, b Capt. Davies	2
Lieut. Leader, b Capt. Davies	4
Capt. le Fleming, b Capt. Davies	0
Lieut. Bacon, b Holloway	20
Capt. Dods, not out	50
Capt. Hannay, b Capt. Davies	13
Capt. Moorehead, b Capt. Davies	6
Capt. Cross, b Capt. Davies	0
Lieut. White, c Parker, b J. Davis	4
Lt. Col. Martin, c J. Davis, b Davies	0
Davies	0
Lieut. Thompson, b Capt. Davies	0
Extras	13
Total	113

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt. P. H. Davies	19	2	32	8
Sgt. Holloway	9	0	24	1
Gnr. J. Davis	2	0	8	1

SECOND LEAGUE

O.S.C.C. v. THE UNIVERSITY.

The Civil Service second string visited the University on Saturday afternoon, and in a league fixture, were severely trounced by the Home second eleven by 99 runs.

Going in first, the University compiled 181 runs, all out. Lam carried his bat for 70 runs not out. His batting was none too steady, and he gave no less than eight chances, some of which were simple ones. The fielding of the visitors, as will be seen from this, was exceedingly weak.

The C.S.C.C. side made 80 runs and there were no outstanding features in the batting.

Ong, for University, obtained six wickets for 18 runs.

Scores:—

THE UNIVERSITY 2ND XI.	
H. Y. Lam, not out	70
C. H. Peterson, l.b.w. Taylor	10
P. E. Choo, b Gardiner	0
M. B. Osman, l.b.w. Taylor	14
P. B. Ng, b Taylor	8
Y. C. Teh, l.b.w. Cowen	1
C. W. Lam, run out	18
T. O. Yeow, st. Sandford, b Sara	4
H. Hunt, l.b.w. Taylor	3
J. L. Youngs, c and b Gardiner	2
S. H. Ong, b Cowen	14
Extras	17

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. T. Gardiner	8.5	1	24	9
C. Sara	5	1	39	1
R. T. Taylor	10	1	48	2
W. Cowen	5	1	18	3
W. Gill	4	0	21	0

C.S.C.C. 2ND XI.

C. Sara, c Ng, b Ong	1
H. W. Sandford, c Teh, b Peterson	10
W. Cullip, c Osman, b Ong	3
F. Haynes, c Yeow, b Peterson	8
Watson, b Peterson	10
W. Gardiner, c Peterson, b Ong	10
W. Savage, b Peterson	5
W. Hill, c Ng, b Ong	0
R. Taylor, not out	9
W. Gill, c Hunt, b Ong	4
W. Cowen, c Ng, b Ong	11
Extras	8
Total	69

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
S. H. Ong	12.5	5	18	6
C. A. Peterson	12	2	38	4
B. P. Ng	3	0	7	0

H.K.C.C. 2ND XI. v. K.C.C. 2ND XI.

HAT TRICK BY PEAT.

The feature of interest in this friendly match played at Kowloon, and which resulted in a win for the Home side by 47 runs, was the performance of the hat-trick by D. B. Peat, one of the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI. bowlers. He took the sixth, seventh and eighth wickets with consecutive balls in his twelfth over. No runs were scored off him in this over and his next over—the 13th—he took another wicket for no runs.

The H.K.C.C. went in first and scored 107, of which W. Mackenzie scored nearly half. His 51 included a boundary for six another for five and six for four. The K.C.C. replied with 154, which included a fine 88 by Jex.

H.K.C.C. 2ND XI.

H. E. Hollands, c Fraser, b Brown	1
D. E. G. Nicholson, b Brown	4
D. Reid, run out	14
W. W. Mackenzie, c Bailton, b Brown	51
G. H. Piercy, b Bailton	7
W. Galloway, b Bailton	1
M. M. Watson, b Brown	1
D. B. Peat, b Brown	6
B. Crowley, b Bailton	5
H. Spiller, not out	4
W. Mackenzie, run out	0
Extras	11
Total	107

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
W. Fraser	6	0	32	0
A. O. Brown	10.3	0	42	5
N. L. Bailton	5	0	22	3

K.C.C. 2ND XI.

S. Jex, c Peat, b Reid	88
A. Leach, b Piercy	10
W. Hyda, b Piercy	1
A. O. Brown, b Galloway	30
N. L. Bailton, c Hollands, b Galloway	5
H. Overy, b Peat	0
W. Fraser, b Peat	0
C. W. Jeffries, b Peat	0
J. Smith, b Reid	0
S. E. Green, not out	0
(E) Heather, c and b Peat	3
Extras	19
Total	154

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
G. H. Piercy	6.1	1	24	3
D. B. Peat	14	4	34	4
D. Reid	6.3	3	13	3
H. E. Hollands	5.1	1	22	0
W. Galloway	6	0	33	3

POLICE v. CRAIGENGOWER.

The Police and Craigen-gower met in a friendly match at Happy Valley on Saturday. The police secured an easy victory, winning by a margin of 24 runs, and with two wickets in hand. N. J. Watts had a lot to do with the Police victory. His bowling was deadly, for in only five overs he managed to dismiss seven wickets for eleven runs.

Scores:—

CRAIGENGOWER.

J. Buffon, c and b N. J. Watts	25
J. Greason, b O. E. Evershaw	5
Y. Abbas, c B. Thorpe, b O. E. Evershaw	17

A. Paice, l.b.w. 4
P. A. Dixon, b N. J. Watts 4
W. S. Marsh, b N. J. Watts 3
H. J. W. Dennis, b N. J. Watts 7
G. White, c Alexander, b N. J. Watts 1
D. V. N. Atkinson, b N. J. Watts 1
R. K. Modi, b N. J. Watts 4
W. B. Muskett, not out 7
Extras 8

Total 95

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
O. Alexander	6	2	25	0
C. Evershaw	7	0	25	3
T. H. King	1	0	2	0
N. J. Watts	5	0	11	7
A. Baker	3	0	24	0

POLICE 2ND XI.

C. F. Alexander, b P. A. Dixon	28
A. V. Baker, b A. Paice	12
N. J. Watts, c W. Marsh, b A. Paice	1
C. Evershaw, b A. Paice	0
B. Thorpe, b P. A. Dixon	4
S. Garrod, b A. Paice	9
T. H. King, not out	49
A. Reynolds, b A. Paice	0
L. Elwood, c Greason, b A. Paice	0
H. Hallam, b J. Buffon	23
Extras	8
Total (for 9 wickets)	130

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. Paice	10	0	48	6
J. Greason	2	0	27	0
P. A. Dixon	6	1	21	2
Y. Abbas	2	0	25	0
J. Buffon	1	0	8	1

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

K.C.C. 1st XI. v. H.K.C.C. 1st XI.

This friendly match, played on the Club ground on Saturday afternoon, resulted in a draw.

Batting first the Home Club were soon in difficulties, six wickets falling for 30 runs. The runs gained per wicket were: 1-12, 2-12, 3-30, 4-34, 5-39, 6-30. Then stand was made by Morgan and Humphreys and 44 runs were added before the next wicket fell. The ninth wicket saw the score at 133 and shortly afterwards the side was out for this total.

The visitors opened their batting well and the first two wickets were responsible for 47 runs. At the fall of the sixth wicket for 104, stumps were drawn.

Of the bowlers, Hancock bowled well for the Home side, but had 11 runs scored off him in the last over. Evans, for the visitors, was in fine bowling form, but towards the end of his sixteen over he showed signs of tiring and was badly knocked about.

Scores:—

H.K.C.C.

A. A. Olaxton, b Cochran	5
A. L. Gace, b Evans	5
E. J. R. Mitchell, b Evans	0
R. E. A. Webster, b Evans	0
B. D. C. Morgan, c Evans, b Benson	28
T. E. Pearce, b Cochran	1
R. Hancock, b Evans	1
J. D. Humphreys, c Robinson, b Fletcher	30
F. H. Farthing, c Dance, b Fletcher	20
G. A. Chadwick, c Spinks, b Fletcher	30
L. J. Davies, not out	0
Extras	11
Total	139

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
T. M. Cochran	15	1	31	3
B. D. Evans	16	3	53	4
H. H. Benson	2	0	15	1
J. C. Fletcher	4.4	0	26	3
Capt. Spinks	1	0	3	0

K.C.C.

Capt. Spinks, b Webster	30
C. H. Stapleton, st. Davies, b Farthing	27
F. H. Farthing, b Farthing	0
B. E. Lindsell, b Farthing	0
B. Evershaw, not out	13
B. D. Evans, b Hancock	3
H. H. Benson, b Hancock	0
C. A. V. Hall, c Grace, b Hancock	8
T. M. Cochran, not out	19
Extras	10
Total (for 6 wickets)	104

J. P. Robinson, c Dance, and J. C. Fletcher did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
E. H. Farthing	18	1	40	2
G. A. Chadwick	4	0	15	0
B. E. A. Webster	5	0	15	1
H. R. B. Hancock	7	1	23	3

UNIVERSITY 1st XI. v. O.S.C.C. 1st XI.

The University 1st XI visited the Civil Service Cricket Club on Saturday afternoon and in a friendly match were defeated by 42 runs.

The C.S.C.C. had first knock and compiled 139 runs, to which the visitors replied with 83. There was nothing worthy of note in the batting of either side, save a very useful 43 by Sayer, which included 5 fours.

Of the bowlers G. R. Sayer had the best average with 4 wickets for 11 runs.

Scores:—

O.S.C.C.

G. R. Sayer, l.b.w. Severn	43
A. R. Sutherland, b Bumjahn	24
A. E. Wood, b Balhatchett	0
F. Baker, c Ponsonby-Fane, b Bumjahn	1
E. C. Fletcher, st. Ponsonby-Fane, b Bumjahn	6
A. Grimmett, b Quick	13
F. J. Ling, c and b Bumjahn	17
E. W. Hamilton, b Quick	13
F. H. Holdman, not out	14
H. Stranger, b Balhatchett	1
E. B. Reed, b Quick	10
Extras	9
Total	139

CORRESPONDENCE.
THE MUT-SAI BILL.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—With reference to the report of the meeting held at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in your issue of the 6th inst., may I write to you in explanation of what I did say in order to remove the wrong impression created by your report of what I was alleged to have said?

It would make the matter clear if I were to begin with a little history, but I must confess I speak from memory, as I have kept no notes or other record.

After the meeting that was held at the Tai Ping Theatre and after all the propaganda work done by the Anti-Mut-Sai Society, the Secretary of State announced his definite decision that the Mut-Sai system was to be abolished. Everyone looked upon this decision as "res judicata."

Shortly after this, the Secretary for Chinese Affairs invited both the Society for the Protection of Mut-sai (which for brevity will be referred to as the Protection Society), of which I am a member, and the Anti-Mut-Sai Society, to collaborate in order to assist the Government and advise it of the best ways and means of carrying out the Secretary of State's decision.

A meeting of the Protection Society was consequently held, at which I was unfortunately unable to be present, but after the meeting I was informed that a Sub-Committee had been appointed and that I was a member of the Sub-Committee, and that we were to work with the Sub-Committee of the Anti-Mut-Sai Society for the purpose above-mentioned. I was assured by all the members of the Sub-Committee, including the Secretary of the Protection Society who was one of the members, that our Sub-Committee had full powers in the matter with one exception, namely, that we could not agree to any change in our Society's name.

The Sub-Committees of both Societies held many meetings and eventually a scheme was drawn up which was based on the principle that the Mut-sai system as such should be abolished, and full arrangements were therein made for dealing with the existing Mut-sai. This scheme was sent to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs under a covering letter signed by practically all the members of both Sub-Committees, including the Secretary of our Society.

The above being the short history of the matter, I informed the meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in question of the above facts and pointed out that if the question of the abolition of the Mut-sai system, and not of the mode of carrying out such abolition, was to be contested it was a great pity that this was not done at, or before, the announcement of the decision of the Secretary of State. I pointed out, also, that the Protection Society had among its members practically all those who were present at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, and that, if the Chamber were to pass a resolution that the Mut-sai system should continue, the members of the Sub-Committee of the Protection Society were placed in a most peculiar position.

There was nothing "non-committal" about my remarks; indeed, my views on the Mut-sai question were sent to the Secretary of the Protection Society on the 29th April, 1922.

I cannot see why the Mut-sai system as such should not be abolished now, although I agree that its evil has been exaggerated and that merely from the point of view of its evil it could be effectively removed by appropriate legislation.

I refrain from commenting on the Bill in this letter. In conclusion I should add that the resolution was not unanimously carried, as I voted against it and informed the chairman that I was opposed to Part III of the Bill only, or, at least to some of its provisions. Yours faithfully,

M. K. LO.

"THE THREE MUSKETEERS."

BACK AT THE CORONET.

Heeding the clamorous request of those who, through procrastination or for some other reason, failed to take advantage of the previous opportunity of seeing "Douglas Fairbanks" in "The Three Musketeers" at the Coronet, the management of the Coronet are putting the picture on again to-day for a three-day season. It is the type of film which one might see several times without getting tired of it, and it may be fairly confidently predicted that therefore the many Coronet patrons who are before will be making a second visit.

"THE TEMPEST" IN HONGKONG.

A CRITICAL APPRECIATION.

One of the latest contributors to the controversy that rages round the identity of William Shakespeare has maintained that our national bard was in fact a great noble of the Elizabethan Court who died in the same year as the Virgin Queen. In the way of this theory, which is otherwise plausibly argued, there is one great stumbling-block—"The Tempest," for it is obvious that a play which is supposed to have been written for the marriage of Princess Elizabeth (sister of James I.) in 1613 cannot have been the work of one who died 10 years earlier. But how can we dissociate "The Tempest" from the other plays of Shakespeare, whoever he may have been, and above all from that other dramatic phantasm, "A Midsummer Night's Dream"? The authenticity of which remains unchallenged! The imagery, the wonderful poetry of the dialogue, and even the humour are so essentially Shakespearean that few can be bold enough to doubt internal evidence so strong, or to challenge the general belief that "The Tempest" was Shakespeare's last play, the play in which he puts into the mouth of Prospero his own farewell to his art, the final creation of the master-mind.

The belief must surely have been shared by one and all who witnessed the recent production of the play by the Hongkong A.D.C., and seldom can amateurs have so faithfully reproduced the spirit of the master, as did the A.D.C. cast. In that cast there were two outstanding figures, Mr. Lucey, as Prospero, and Miss Logan as Ariel. The burden of the acting lay mainly on their shoulders and right well it was sustained. Mr. Lucey's presence and delivery were alike excellent, and his rendering of the wonderful lines beginning

"These our actors, as I foretold you, were all spirits and are melted into air, 'into thin air.'"

and of the Epilogue was quite admirable. Then Ariel! As in the play Prospero's schemes could not have succeeded without his Ariel's aid, so on the stage Mr. Lucey could not have been so effective without the support Miss Logan gave him. Ariel is the quintessence of dainty fairydom, light as gossamer, a nimble joyous sprite, ever ready to do his master's behests, yet ever longing for his freedom. All these characteristics were wonderfully portrayed. The lightness and grace of Miss Logan's movements and the sweetness of her voice were, of course, natural to her, though none the less charming, while the unaffected and happy spirit of her acting was equally delightful. It was often possible to believe that she was indeed a fairy invisible as well as to mortal eyes.

Next come Ferdinand and Miranda, and for Mr. Logan's and Mrs. Grimble's rendering of these parts there can be little but praise. Mr. Logan looked every inch the princely lover and pronounced his lines with spirit and clearness, though at times, perhaps, with a shade too much of theatricality. Mrs. Grimble as "sweet seventeen" (or rather fifteen)—quite lovely and quite unsophisticated—spoke and looked the part, but was hardly fervent enough in her love passages with Ferdinand, nor sufficiently moved by Prospero's recital of their life story.

Of the lesser parts, Mr. Simpson's Caliban was excellently done. The acquired raucousness of his voice made him at times a trifle indistinct, but his acting was very natural and convincing and his get-up as the "debased fishy monster" admirable. As Stephano, the drunken butler, the Rev. A. Turner was almost beyond praise. The acting of a drunken part is not in itself difficult but very easy to overdo. Mr. Turner exactly struck the happy mean, but the same can hardly be said of Mr. Hinton's Trinculo, who was altogether too silly to excite much mirth. As a trio, these three worked very well together and their fooling was well sustained throughout.

The only other character who has more than a few lines to himself is Gonzalo, and in this part Mr. Hamilton, though good, was not quite convincing; he failed to divest himself sufficiently of his own personality.

Passing to the fantastic side of the play—apart from Ariel's share therein—the dancing of Mrs. Newcombe and her fellow-nymphs was quite delightful and our only regret was that there were not more of them. When they danced alone the whole effect was charming, but it was, unfortunately, rather marred by the entrance of certain Bosphorians properly entrained. (Continued on p. 10 of next column.)

A REMARKABLE SMASH.

MOTOR CRUSHED BETWEEN TWO TRAM-CARS.

A remarkable motor smash occurred in Queen's Road East on Saturday morning, when a motor-car was reduced to a complete and hopeless wreck by being crushed between two tram-cars.

Motor-car No. 624 was proceeding from east to west, and following up tram-car No. 47, which was going in the same direction. Near the Wellington Barracks the car swerved round to the off-side with the intention of overtaking the tram-car. They reached a bend in the road, and the motor was running level with the tram, when tramcar No. 29 appeared, proceeding in the opposite direction. The driver of the motor could do nothing but go straight on and try to get clear before the trams passed each other. This he attempted to do, but it was too late, and his car was jammed between the two tram-cars. The body of the car was wrecked beyond hope of repair, whilst the two back wheels were wrenched clean off, and smashed to bits.

Fortunately there were no passengers in the motor-car and no-one was injured. About \$350 worth of damage was done to the tram-cars.

JAPANESE TRAINING SQUADRON.

DUE TO-DAY.

The Japanese Training Squadron, consisting of H.I.J.M.S. *Asama*, *Iwate*, and *Idzumi*, which left Singapore at day-break on Wednesday, was expected to arrive at Hongkong by daylight this morning. The squadron is under the command of Vice-Admiral Taniguchi, who flies his flag on the *Idzumi*, commanded by Capt. K. Hara.

Both the Japanese community and the general public have arranged entertainments for the squadron during its stay in port.

PROFESSOR EINSTEIN.

ENTERTAINED BY JEWISH COMMUNITY.

Professor Einstein who passed through Hongkong on Friday on the a.s. *Horuna Maru*, homeward bound, was entertained by the Jewish community of the Colony at the Jewish Club. The Professor did not, as was hoped, dilate on his remarkable theory of relativity, though he did give a broad explanation of the objects of his research work, and the effects of his theories to a number of friends.

He was welcomed by Mr. D. S. Gubbay, and in a short speech of thanks he remarked with some feeling on the extreme kindness and hospitality which had always been shown him by Jewish communities in the East.

The Professor, in company with his wife, continued his journey the next day.

habited, "inasmuch as the pains on the said resper's face and arms was rather overdone and they looked as if they would have been more at home in a foxglove than in a "graceful" classical dance. A special word of praise must be given to Mrs. Newcombe's "pas seul" with her pipe.

The programme did not state who took the parts of the rabbits and other strange beasts which appeared now and again, and seemed to enjoy themselves as much as they pleased the audience. The rabbits, especially, were priceless but their tails might have been white!

Finally we come to the vision of blessings which Prospero summons before the eyes of the plighted lovers as "a vapour of his art." This scene was very well done, but was, we think, not sufficiently unsubstantial. The lovers are supposed to be seeing a vision, a dream-like phantasm of Iris, Ceres and Juno. In fact, they saw three very charming ladies, one of whom sang very sweetly and the other two talked very nicely to them. The whole effect was too materialistic.

One word as to the scenery and a final word as to the music. In a small old-fashioned theatre like the City Hall the front seats are too close to the stage, and this, we think, the A.D.C. designers did not sufficiently bear in mind; their colour scheme for sea and rock was rather crude and flamboyant. As for the music, Mr. Rice's numbers were timely enough, but we preferred the old version of "Where the bee sucks, there suck I" to his. Miss Logan's voice was not quite strong enough for this and Ariel's other songs, but the strange sweet music of "A Fair Shew" was very well maintained. Jano's blessing was finely sung by Mrs. Gandy, but the effect was somewhat marred by the unattractive quality of the whole scene.

On the whole, the production was a striking success on which Mr. Sinclair and his colleagues are to be most heartily congratulated.

R.E.L.

LOVES, LABOUR LOST.

THE TALE OF A ROBBERY THAT FAILED.

At seven o'clock on Saturday morning six armed robbers broke into an opium shop in Gutai street. They bound the shopkeeper and his wife, and gagged them with pieces of wood. Then they asked the shopkeeper for his keys, but it so happened that he was an obstinate man, and no coward to boot, so he blankly refused the request. The robbers enojed him, threatened and coaxed, but all to no purpose, until at last they began to get really annoyed. Then a customer entered the shop, who, on seeing what was happening, immediately turned and ran. The robbers made frantic grabs at him, but he dodged them and got away. They fired one shot, but it missed, and the elusive one spread the alarm as he ran, compelling the gang to abandon their task, and retreat with what money and clothing they could run with—which was little.

THE SITUATION AT CANTON.

NO EXODUS REPORTED.

The *Canton Times* says:—Peculiar goods and silk merchants in Canton who are doing re-shipping business to Wuchow suffer no little on account of the present disturbance. Usually the year-end of the Chinese calendar is a time for the shipment of holiday goods and settlement of accounts. Goods from Kwangsi consist of medicine, lumber, bambooware, firewood, and rice. The inability of these goods to come down is causing a shortage. So far, except firewood, the situation is not serious.

The Canton citizens are not by any means alarmed over the situation and the exodus to Hongkong usually seen in connection with a local disturbance is not taking place.

HONGKONG TRADE.

The following information is given in the fortnightly market report issued by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce:—

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—During the interval some sales of woollens and fancy goods are reported. Greys and Whites are still neglected. The prices on this side are steady, with an upward tendency. The Manchester Market is firm.

Cotton Yarn.—A fair amount of business has been done in chops suitable for Yunnan and prices have improved \$4 to \$5 per bale owing to the decline in exchange. There was no demand from the other outlets, prices remaining unchanged. Quotations are: No. 10s \$163 to \$181. No. 13s \$107 to \$181. No. 16s \$184 to \$200. No. 20s \$177 to \$203. Arrivals 500. Shipments nil. Sales 3,000 bales. Unsold stock 7,000 bales. Bargains 9,000 bales.

Woolens.—Some business has been done in Spanish stripes and Broadcloths and the market remains firm.

Raw Cotton.—We have again to report that there has been no business in this commodity. Nominal quotations.—Indian descriptions at \$31 to \$38. Chinese staple at \$33 to \$38.

Metals.—Business has been very quiet during the last fortnight. Dealers are holding off, and it is very unlikely they will come in to buy before the Chinese New Year.

Flour.—Stock: About 550,000 sacks. Quotations: American patent, \$3.90 per sack; American straight, \$3.10 per sack; American cut off, \$3.10 per sack; Shanghai flour, \$3.10 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$3.30 per sack.

Sundries.—Steady.

Sugar.—Market for Java sugar steady.

Market for Philippine advancing.

Saltpetre.—Market in drooping condition after two months' great activity.

WORLD THEATRE.

"The adventures of Robinson Crusoe" are depicted in a fine picture, at the World Theatre. The two last exhibitions of the film are to be given to-day, at 2.30 and 7.15, and those who have not seen it should not miss the opportunity. For the children who have read "Robinson Crusoe" or are about to become acquainted with this fascinating book, the picture is of course of the deepest interest, which is fully shared by adults. Another very interesting and thrilling picture appeared on the screen since last Saturday. "The Carnival Child," a photo-play of six parts, starring Mosier and the beautiful Lillian. The gaiety of Paris, the colourful Carnival at Nice are among the many gorgeous settings. The picture has an interesting story and is most lavishly mounted. It will be shown for the last time to-morrow.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STATUTORY MEETING of the Members of the above Company, pursuant to Section 66 (3) of the Companies Ordinance 1911, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Powell's Building, 40 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 18th Day of JANUARY, 1923, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

By Order of the Board,
WALTER J. HAYKER,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 8th January, 1923. [191]

BILLIARDS.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY.

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FOR CAPT. J. EVANS' CHALLENGE CUP.

ENTRIES for the above Championship close to the Hon. Secretary on TUESDAY 16th JANUARY.

Entrance fee \$2.00 to accompany entry. All competitors are invited to attend on the evening of the 16th at 5.30 p.m. to arrange conditions and draw for the various rounds.

Winner of the Tournament to meet Mr. P. A. Yvanovich, Present holder of Title.

A. McKIRBY,
Hon. Secretary.

CONSULAR NOTIFICATION.

ANNUAL REGISTRATION.

BRITISH SUBJECTS are reminded that under the China (Amendment) Order in Council, 1921, a new system of registration is now in force. By the terms of that Order separate certificates of registration are abolished and an endorsement of registration is made on passports. Applications for renewal of registration should therefore, where possible, be accompanied by passports in future.

Renewal of registration, as before, obligatory in the month of January. Passports should not be sent through the post and British Subjects residing away from Canton should, therefore, whilst applying by letter for renewal of registration at the beginning of each year, avail a convenient opportunity before presenting their passports for endorsement.

J. W. JAMIESON,
Consul-General,
Canton.

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, the 9th and 10th JANUARY, 1923, commencing at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 5, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

Part of the PERSONAL EFFECTS of the late Mr. E. H. HEWITT, C.M.G., comprising Carved Blackwood Wardrobe, Trunk, a very good selection of China, Silverware, Cutglass Tableware, Embroideries, Electroplated Ware, Blackwood Ware, Household Furniture, etc. This sale will also be continued on THURSDAY, the 11th instant at 11 a.m., at the Hong Kong and Kowloon Warehouse and Godown Co., Ltd., Godown No. 51 (Upper) at Kowloon.

Terms: Cash on delivery.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 8th January, 1923. [190]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

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THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1923.

FEBRUARY 22nd, MARCH 1st, 2nd & 3rd.

ENTRIES for the forthcoming Races close on SATURDAY, 27th inst., at 3 p.m., and must be sent to the Jockey Club, Room 3A, Chater Road, on or before this date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, Jockey Club Room (Hong Kong Club Annex, Chater Road), Race Course, Hong Kong Club and LUNARD DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings.

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THE CORONET.

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Acting General Manager.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in conformity with the conditions endorsed upon the Debentures, the undermentioned numbers of Debentures of the total value of £24,000 were drawn on the Thirty-first day of October, 1922, at the Office of the Company, No. 22, Austin Friars, in the City of London.

In the presence of ALFRED WILLIAM BERRY, Secretary of the Company, and JOHN WILLIAM PETER JABRALDE, of 7/8, Great Winchester Street, London, E.C.2, Notary Public.

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THREATENED FRENCH ACTION AGAINST GERMANY.

AMERICAN TROOPS ON THE RHINE.

SENATE ASKS FOR WITHDRAWAL.

DRAMATIC SCENE AT LAUSANNE.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH ROUTE'S AGENCY.]

THE REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

U.S. SENATE FAVOURS RHINE TROOPS WITHDRAWAL.

WASHINGTON, January 6th.

In the Senate, the Democrat, Senator Reed introduced a resolution urging the return of the remaining detachments of the American occupation forces on the Rhine.

A lengthy debate followed, in which Senator Hitchcock (Democrat) supported Senator Reed.

Senator Wadsworth, a Republican member of the Military Committee opposed the resolution.

Senator Lodge, while favouring the withdrawal of the troops, pointed out that it would be most unfortunate to do anything which could be construed as taking sides in the reparations controversy.

Mr. New (Republican) moved an amendment disavowing unfriendliness towards any European nations who might be affected by the withdrawal. The amended resolution was eventually adopted.

AMERICAN WITHDRAWAL FROM RHINE DENIED.

WASHINGTON, January 6th.

It is authoritatively stated that the reports published abroad to the effect that the United States has decided to withdraw the American troops from the Rhine is without foundation.

The Senate adopted Senator Reed's resolution by 37 votes to 6, after rejecting by 39 votes to 23 a motion in favour of referring the resolution to the Foreign Relations Committee.

ACTION BY U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

WASHINGTON, January 6th.

The American Chamber of Commerce is reconsidering the German business men's request for a business commission to investigate Germany's ability to pay. It is understood that the officials of the Chamber propose to sound Allied business men regarding the matter, possibly with a view to action prior to the meeting of the International Chamber of Commerce at Rome on March 15th, at which reparations will be discussed.

FRANCO-BELGIAN DISCUSSIONS ON RUHR OCCUPATION.

PARIS, January 6th.

It is understood that conversations between M. Poincare and M. Theunis related to the steps to be taken in the event of a decision to occupy the Ruhr. No decision was reached, but the negotiations are being continued after M. Theunis returns to Brussels.

FRENCH PRESS HOPES FOR BRITISH SUPPORT.

LONDON, January 6th.

"The Parisian Press continues to court the hope that Great Britain will range herself alongside France in the contemplated measures against Germany. The newspapers emphasise that room will be provided for English participation in the administrative work."

REPORTED ACTIVITIES OF FRENCH FORCES.

In connection with the French threats, Berlin's coal production in the Ruhr district, for twenty-three working days in December, is estimated at 8,000,000 tons. The attention of Germany is concentrated on the occupied zones. News of movements of French troops and great activity on the part of French aircraft has been received from Mannheim, and it is asserted that aircraft were even crossing over the neutral zone and over Mannheim for a considerable time last night.

COMMISSION WILL HEAR GERMAN REPRESENTATIVES.

PARIS, January 6th.

The Reparations Commission has unanimously decided to hear the German Representatives on January 8th, before deciding in regard to the failure of the coal deliveries. The significance of this decision lies in the proposed seizure of the Ruhr coal mines as a sanction in the event of a declaration of default.

THE BRITISH ATTITUDE ON THE COMMISSION.

PARIS, January 6th.

The British delegation will continue to sit on the Reparations Commission, but will not participate in any steps taken as a consequence of any votes which it has not associated itself, or accept any responsibility for such votes, according to an announcement Sir John Bradbury is understood to have made at yesterday's sitting of the Commission. He intimated that he had, for personal reasons,

several times requested permission to resign, but at the request of the present Government he would remain at his post. In conclusion he said that he hoped complete Franco-British collaboration would be speedily re-established.

EARLIER CABLES.

UNITED STATES COMMENT.

NEW YORK, January 5th.

Commenting on the collapse of the Paris Conference, the *World* says a terrible responsibility rests with the French Government. It is committed to measures which in the opinion of practically the whole neutral world are dangerous and provocative, and self-defeating. The *Herald* urges America to demand that the futile bickering be replaced by arbitration. The *New York Times* suggests the American Government should urge the application of the Hughes plan.

WASHINGTON, January 5th.

Official circles consider that the dissolution of the Paris Conference brings the reparations crisis measurably nearer the point on which Mr. Hughes touched in his speech at Newhaven, namely the selection of a competent, non-partisan board to throw out the matter, but there is no indication of further initiative being expected at present. The only authorised comment on the situation is a statement of the State Department that Mr. Hughes' suggestion was intended "to leave several doors open" to the President in the event of emergency. Mr. Hughes has already indicated that American financial board to serve on an international financial board to study the German situation if France and other interested Powers invite the United States. It is believed that there is still time to examine the American suggestion before France can carry out her programme. It is noted that M. Poincare's plan avoids the employment of force against Germany, against which Mr. Hughes inveighed on the ground that it might tend to destroy the basis of reparations payments. There is little doubt that Mr. Hughes thereby expressed the American Government's view.

FRENCH PRESS COMMENTS.

PARIS, January 5th.

Neither surprise nor emotion is expressed in the French newspapers at the failure of the Conference, which they are unanimously of opinion will in no way affect Anglo-French friendly relations. Indeed most of them refer to the event as quite "a friendly rupture." The *Gaulois* says: "Our position towards England has the advantage of being clearer than ever. The *Homme Libre* does not despair of yet winning England to the French viewpoint of refusing to allow Germany to remain in a position to mock the people she has ruined. The *Echo de Paris* says Britain, not France, is isolated. *Le Journal* says the hour of France's freedom of action has struck. She will no longer continue to accept the naval obligations of the Washington agreements or follow in England's wake at Lausanne. *Le Matin* says: "Our Belgian and Italian Allies will help us to repel the claims of the British financiers to direct European policy, and hints at more friendly pro-Turkish action by France at Lausanne, which will prove to Mr. Bonar Law the existence of a French policy in the Near East."

THE GERMAN PRESS IS NOT SURPRISED AT THE breakdown of the Paris Conference, and declares that the imposition of sanctions without the consent of the Reparations Commission or by a single Power is contrary to the spirit of the Peace Treaty, and from the viewpoint of international law will be a hostile action. The newspapers allege that France's annexationist policy has caused the failure of the Conference. The *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* declares that Germany possesses "the last trump card. Her offer is final, and if it fails the ruins of Government will pass into the hands of those whose aims nobody will be able to control. Paris must not think that the *furor Teutonicus* belongs entirely to the past or needs guns or bayonets to reappear. Any great nation driven to despair has always found means for its revenge."

WASHINGTON, January 5th.

The State Department officials deny the report that the United States, at the request of Britain, is going to call an international congress reparations.

WASHINGTON, January 5th.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has decided to ascertain the view of the Administration before considering Mr. Robinson's resolution, tabled earlier. Mr. Lodge has been commissioned to call on Mr. Hughes to obtain all the available information on the State Department with regard to the reparations negotiations.

LONDON, January 5th.

Mr. Bonar Law, tired-looking, refused to speak on his arrival at Victoria, where he was greeted by a huge crowd, necessitating efforts by the police to clear a path to his car.

PARIS, January 5th.

M. Theunis had a lengthy interview with M. Poincare, and leaves for home tomorrow. M. Poincare previously conversed with Marquis Della Torretta, who, interviewed, declared: "Italy will certainly stand by France."

A Lausanne message says that General Weygand has been summoned to Paris.

LAUSANNE CONFERENCE. UPROAR IN MINORITIES' SUB- COMMISSION.

LAUSANNE, January 6th.

The Turkish delegate, Risanur, created a dramatic scene in the Minorities' Sub-Commission by angrily refusing to discuss the questions of the Armenians' national home or matters relating to the Chaldeans. The Bulgars stood up, shouted and waved their arms. They also charged the Allies with employing Armenians to ruin the Turks, and quitted the Hall in a rage.

The heads of the Allied Mission decided to send a letter of protest to Ismet Pasha.

ANGLO-FRENCH DIFFERENCES WILL NOT PROFIT TURKS.

Notwithstanding the Anglo-French reparations differences the Allies are co-operating closely at Lausanne, and it is not believed that the Turks will derive any encouragement from the failure of the Paris conference. It is expected that the Lausanne conference will wind up in a fortnight.

ALLIED CAPITULATIONS PRO- POSALS REFUSED BY TURKS.

LAUSANNE, January 6th.

At a meeting of the Capitulations Commission this afternoon Signor Garroini asked Ismet Pasha to give the Turkish answer to the Allied proposals, as promised at the last meeting.

Ismet Pasha replied at length, practically turning down everything, refusing to accept the proposal for foreign judges as an infringement of Turkish sovereignty.

ISMET'S REPLY TO ALLIED PROTEST.

LAUSANNE, January 6th.

Ismet Pasha this evening replied to the Allied protest regarding the Risanur incident. The Turks prefer to say nothing concerning the nature of the reply, desiring to regard the incident as closed. Nevertheless, there is reason to believe that the reply follows the lines and views expressed by Risanur in the course of a conversation to-day, in which he endeavoured to justify his attitude.

HARWICK-ZEEBRUGGE TRAIN FERRY.

ANTICIPATED START IN AUGUST.

LONDON, January 6th.

It is expected that export trade will be stimulated by the establishment of the Harwick-Zeebrugge train ferry, for which the agreement is being signed to-day between a Belgian and an English Company.

It is hoped that the ferry will start in August, enabling goods to be carried to any part of the Continent, except Russia, Spain and Portugal, without breaking bulk.

ANOTHER MEXICAN ESTATE DISPUTE.

PROTEST BY BRITISH AND
AMERICAN DIPLOMATS.

WASHINGTON, January 6th.

The British and American diplomatic representatives have simultaneously lodged a complaint against the action of the Authorities of the State of Durango in expropriating two hundred thousand acres of land, comprising the Tlahualilo plantations, the stock of which is held by British and American investors.

IRISH TRAIN WRECKERS. DASTARDLY ACTION OF ARMED MEN.

LONDON, January 6th.

A train smash, attended by serious loss of life and damage to property has been caused by a body of armed men who held up a goods train at Rebeny, five miles from Dublin.

They uncoupled the engine and despatched it at full speed towards the capital. The locomotive, on its way, crashed into a passenger train from Roseth, and both were derailed, eight passengers being seriously injured. Three coaches on the train were almost completely destroyed and the engine was wrecked.

TILDEN DEFEATS FRANCI SHUNTER.

CHICAGO, January 6th.

Tilden, in his first match since his operation, defeated Francis Shunter 2-6, 7-5, 6-4. Experts are of the opinion that without a doubt, by the summer, Tilden will regain his usual form.

COLLISION IN ENGLISH CHANNEL. JAPANESE AND DANISH SHIPS BADLY INJURED.

LONDON, January 6th.

The *Dakar Maru* and a Danish schooner collided in the Channel with serious results. Both vessels are still afloat and steam tugs from Dover are standing by for salvage.

SCHOONER TOWED TO DOVER.

Lloyd's report that the s.s. *Dakar Maru* from Yokohama, while proceeding to London, collided with a schooner, but the nature of the damage to the *Dakar Maru* is not known.

The schooner was badly damaged, and is being towed to Dover in a leaky condition.

AUSTRALIAN COTTON PRODUCTION.

MELBOURNE, January 6th.

An increase in production is expected to follow the Victorian Cabinet's decision to co-operate with the Commonwealth Government in the matter of giving a guarantee to cotton growers.

BIG EXPLOSION IN BULGARIA.

SOPIA, January 6th.

Twenty persons were killed and many injured by the explosion of a large quantity of material used for the production of ammunition, stored in an ironworks. Many buildings were completely wrecked.

COMPANY PROMOTION IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.

SOME STARTLING FIGURES.

LONDON, January 6th.

Last year 113 new limited companies were floated in Czechoslovakia, with a capital of £3,000,000, while the failures of one hundred large firms totalled nearly the same amount, and 1,436 firms sought a judicial settlement of their liabilities.

RUBBER NEWSPAPERS. FIRST ISSUE PRINTED ON RUBBER LATEX PAPER.

LONDON, January 6th.

It is claimed that the current issue of the *Investors' Chronicle* is the first newspaper printed on rubber latex paper. The journal thinks that rubber in this form is likely to prove a valuable ally to the paper manufacturer.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF TURKEY.

LONDON, January 6th.

A corporation for the economic development of Turkey has been registered with a nominal capital of a quarter of a million to be increased to a million or more as necessary. Shares will not be offered to the public. The principal subscriber is Mr. Leslie Urquhart. It is understood the Russo-Asiatic Consolidated, Limited, will be the chief shareholders, and Mr. Urquhart chairman, and the majority on the board British. The other British directors are well-known in banking and City circles. The objects include mining, production of metals and oil, chemicals, building, and the operation of railways, canals and docks, besides generally acting as Government contractors and financial agents for Turkey in Asia Minor.

RUSSIA RECOVERING. WHITE STAR ENTERPRISE.

LONDON, January 6th.

The Russian trade delegation in London announces that the British White Star Line have proposed to the Soviet Government the establishment of services between Britain and Russia.

MOSCOW STOCK EXCHANGE TO RE-OPEN.

MOSCOW, January 5th.

The Stock Exchange will open on January 10th.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

LONDON, January 5th.

The Stock Exchange opened dull on the breakdown of the Paris Conference. Quotations, as a precautionary measure, were marked down, but there was no selling pressure in any direction, and now there is a tendency for quotations to harden. The exchange market is most unsettled. French francs are at 67/10 and Belgian at 72/10. German marks are 41/000 to the £. Sterling in New York is 4/6 1/2.

AUSTRALIAN PARTIES AFTER THE ELECTION.

MELBOURNE, January 6th.

The final state of the parties in the House of Representatives is: Labor 29, Nationalists 27, Country and Liberal 19. Mr. Hughes will consult the Nationalist party regarding the course to be followed.

TEST MATCH IN NEW ZEALAND.

CHRISTCHURCH, N.Z., January 5th.

The second Test opened before 3,000 spectators. The wicket was perfect. New Zealand made 318 for 7. Collins contributing 103 and Shepherd 68.

SPLENDID SCORING BY BOTH TEAMS.

In lovely weather, on a good wicket before a crowd of seven thousand spectators, New Zealand compiled 378 runs. Marylebone replied with 338 runs for the loss of 7 wickets, Wilkinson making 69, Chapman 77 and Lowry 61.

ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE A MINISTER.

PARIS, January 5th.

A young insurance clerk named Sourek twice fired a revolver at M. Rasin, Minister of Finance, who was seriously wounded and was sent to hospital. His assailant is said to have been actuated by political hatred.

THE PRINCE'S BETROTHAL. AN UNFOUNDED REPORT.

LONDON, January 6th.

It is officially stated that the *Daily News* report of the Prince of Wales' engagement is unfounded.

ANOTHER COLOUR RIOT IN THE STATES.

NEW YORK, January 5th.

The town of Rosewood, Florida, has been destroyed as the result of a clash between negroes and whites. Following an alleged attack on a white woman, many whites poured in from neighbouring cities and attacked the negroes, who barricaded their huts. Two whites and two negroes were killed; and many were injured.

EX-SULTAN GOES TO MECCA.

MALTA, January 5th.

The ex-Sultan of Turkey has left for Mecca aboard the British warship *Ajiz*.

STRAITS CHINESE. ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION.

At the annual general meeting of the Straits Chinese British Association at Singapore, the Vice-President, Mr. S. Q. Wong, who took the chair in the absence of the President, Mr. Song Ong Siang, said: "The membership has been increased by 39 members over the number of last year. Attention is drawn to the fact that all Chinese members of the Singapore Volunteer Corps are *ipso facto* members of the S.C.B.A. Our association, which is confined to Chinese British subjects, has been recognised by the Government and has been given the privilege of nominating a candidate for appointment of the enlarged Municipal Council. Information is to hand that our Penang Chinese member on the enlarged Legislative Council has been accepted by the Government. These are good signs and are stepping stones to popular Government in Malaya. I wish to take this opportunity of appealing to all Chinese British subjects to join the association so as to consolidate our position as a community."

The year 1922 has been made memorable by the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales to Singapore. Our Association was assigned one of the most prominent positions of the route to decorate to give welcome to H.R.H. With the co-operation, support and services of all Straits Chinese Clubs, the whole thing was a great success, for which the Governor expressed his gratitude and appreciation. During the year a serious shortage of school accommodation in the elementary classes arose and under the auspices of our association a public meeting was convened at the Victoria Theatre last February to discuss the question of this shortage. As a result of this meeting a petition, signed by the representatives of the various communities, was sent to the Government and a large school in Geylang is now nearing completion. It should be the aim of the association to see that the policy of free elementary education, laid down in 1911 by Sir Arthur Young, be carried out. Although the withdrawal of income-tax by the Government does not fall within the year under review, a word thereabout would strongly associated itself with the movement for the removal of this tax and at the second income-tax public meeting I had the pleasure of seconding the resolutions which ultimately led to the withdrawal of the tax. It only shows what unanimous public opinion can do and I should like to emphasise the need for unity amongst the members of our association.

SEASONABLE HUMOUR.

Let's start a New Year "diary." Yes, Let's.

All the shopkeepers we have met agree that there is no time like the "present" time.

Despite Angora's truculent attitude many families made the Turkey trot this Christmas.

The peculiar, rustling noise associated with the New Year is only the turning over of new leaves.

The old English Christmas greeting, a kiss, has been superseded by the more sober handshake. Still, even this is better than the Mexican habit of exchanging revolver shots.

A Scot tells us that if his hopes are realised he will see two New Years in. What does he mean?

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH ROUTE'S AGENCY.]

CHINA'S REVISED TARIFF.

LONDON, January 6th.

Sir Edwin F. Stockton, writing to the *Manchester Guardian*, expresses pleasure that Italy has now given way. He says that, provided the policy of force is abandoned, there will be a new era of negotiation in China, which will be entirely to international advantage.

[Sir Edwin F. Stockton, in a letter to the *Times*, severely criticised the action of Italy alone among the Powers withholding her consent to an effective five per cent Customs duty in China.]

CHINESE EDUCATION.

PROFESSOR H. A. GILES' VIEW.

LONDON, January 5th.

In a letter to the *Times*, Professor H. A. Giles says the general principle of allocation of the Boxer indemnity to the education of Chinese students is unlikely to meet with serious opposition, but two points should be borne in mind, firstly we are primarily if not wholly out to secure important commercial advantages for ourselves, and we are not out to safeguard or improve the moral, spiritual or commercial advantages of China, therefore it would be most inadvisable to utilise any British institutions conducted by missionaries, for the cry would immediately be raised that our secret intention was to Christianise China, a cry which would immediately be taken up by the Anti-Christian Society and might possibly jeopardise the whole scheme, which should be entirely secular; and secondly no financial assistance should be given to any Chinese student who cannot show satisfactory knowledge of his own language.

Mr. W. Nelson Bilton, of the London Missionary Society, writing to the *Times*, suggests the establishment of a joint Anglo-Chinese commission, consisting of representatives of the British Government and of commerce in China, British missionary and educational interests, and acknowledged Chinese educational authorities, to recommend plans for the application of the indemnity to educational purposes.

CHINA'S DELEGATE TO THE OPIUM COMMISSION.

LONDON, January 5th.

The Chinese Legation states that Chao Hsin-chu will attend the Opium Commission at Geneva on January 6th.

CABINET'S FIRST DUTY.

PEKING, January 6th.

Chang Shou-tsang, Li Ting-hsin, Li Kun-yuan and Pan Yuan-li and also the Foreign Vice-Minister attended the meeting of the Cabinet held at noon to-day. It was resolved as a first priority to make every effort to encourage Parliament to complete the Constitution as the best means for effecting reunification.

REINSTATEMENT OF STUDENTS.

PEKING, January 6th.

Vice-Minister Lao Chin-chang recommended to President Li Yuan-hung, who approved, the reinstatement of the students whom Kao Eng-hung dismissed after the strike by the students in question, and they have already resumed work.

SIBERIA. SITUATION AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

PEKING, January 6th.

A foreign official despatch from Vladivostok says that the Reds have assured traders and merchants that they can carry on as prior to the Red occupation. The Reds promise not to requisition goods or alter the tariff or loading charges, and to allow the ice-breakers to work as usual for the same charge.

Since the despatch was written, however, the Reds have taken over the Egorsk in the harbour, and this may alter the conditions of export.

DIED LOVING ENGLAND.

LAST LETTERS OF ERSKINE
CHILDERS.

The *Daily Mail's* Dublin correspondent says remarkable human documents are Erskine Childers' last letters to his wife the night before he expected to be executed. He wrote: "Will the nation soon understand and reverence what actuates our comrades in the cause? I feel it will. If only I could die knowing that my death may somehow save the lives of others and arrest the policy of execution I shall die with serenity. Serenity, yes, we feel that now if never before. I hope one day my good name will be cleared in England. I felt what Churchill said about my hatred and malice against England. How well we know that to be untrue. What line have I ever wrote or spoke that justifies the charge I die loving England passionately and praying that she may change completely towards Ireland."

A few hours later he wrote: "What is all I know. It may be only a postponement for a day when I'd far rather it came at once if it were to come."

The final letter was written early on the day of the execution.

"My beloved country, God send you courage, victory, and rest to all our people, harmony and love. It is six o'clock. You'll be pleased to see how imperceptibly normal and tranquil I've been this night and I am. It all seems perfectly simple and inevitable like lying down after a long day's work."

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"Dr. Agnes Savill delivered a lecture on "The Dangers of Society to Health" at the Institute of Hygiene on Nov. 23rd. She said that the development of communities was found in the earliest stages of human society, and this gathering together of families to share a common life had many advantages, provided the individuals concerned were of a high grade and had a sound organization. But such communities had many dangers, such as the liability of infectious diseases to spread rapidly and the multiplication of the unfit. Other dangers of civilization were eye-strain, smoke, dust, and fog, while noise was a serious society danger, leading to irritability, fatigue, and lack of sleep.

Dealing with the society life of girls, Dr. Savill said that a girl who left school for business life might not have an excessive amount of daily work, but she usually had to make exhausting journeys to get to it. The girl who went to a university was liable to over-study, or to study all day and to indulge in social functions till late at night, while the girl who could command the sources of her parents' wealth left school for a life of continual excitement which resulted in mental and physical deterioration.

"Nowadays," she said, the girl dispenses with a chaperon, and even if she retains the old high standard of chastity her mind too often becomes poisoned, her ideals recede, she accepts the inferior outlook on life, and when she marries the standard of her relationship to her husband, home, and children is not a high one.

"I have seen some of these girls after a few years of society life aged by years, and already, before the age of twenty, as worn out and nerve-tired as if they were forty. The hectic life of continual excitement, the absence of all repose, all time for meditation, the perpetual change, the cigarette smoking, irregular and unhealthy meals—no wonder these girls become the prey of disease. And though the physical consequences are disastrous, even of greater importance is the evil effect of this life upon the character.

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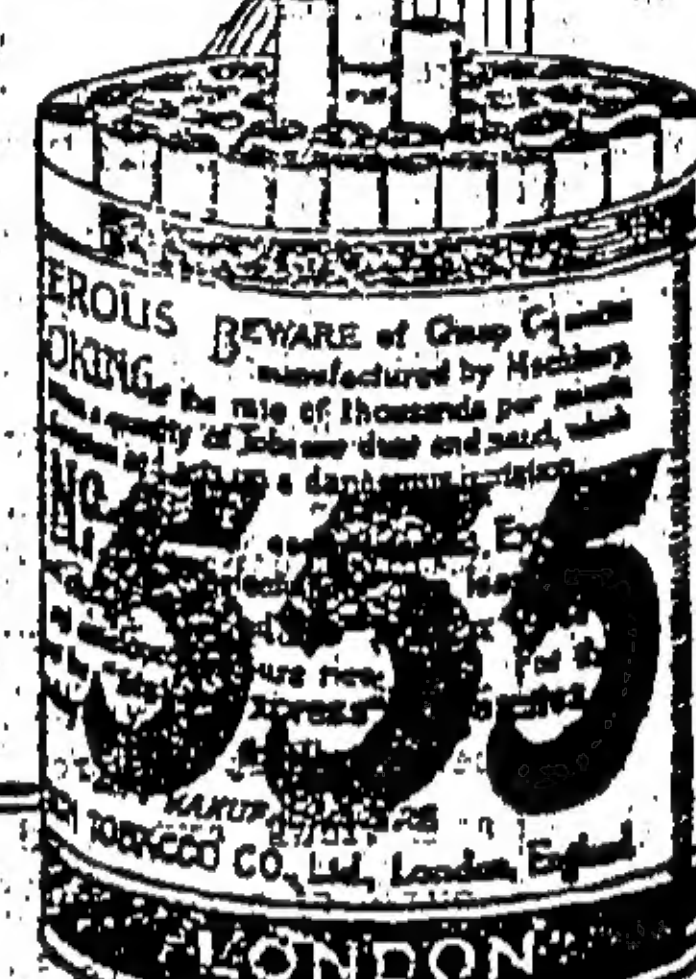
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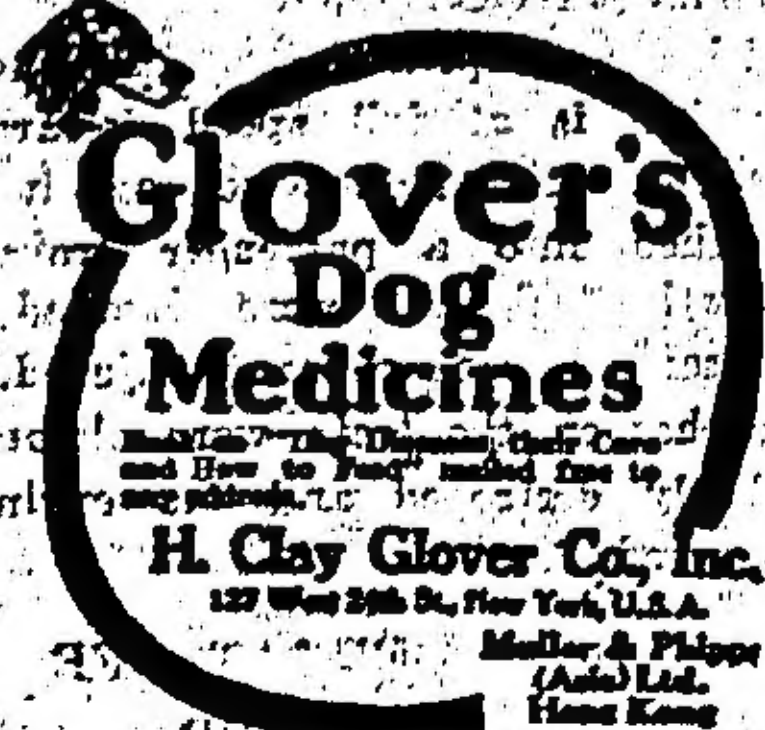
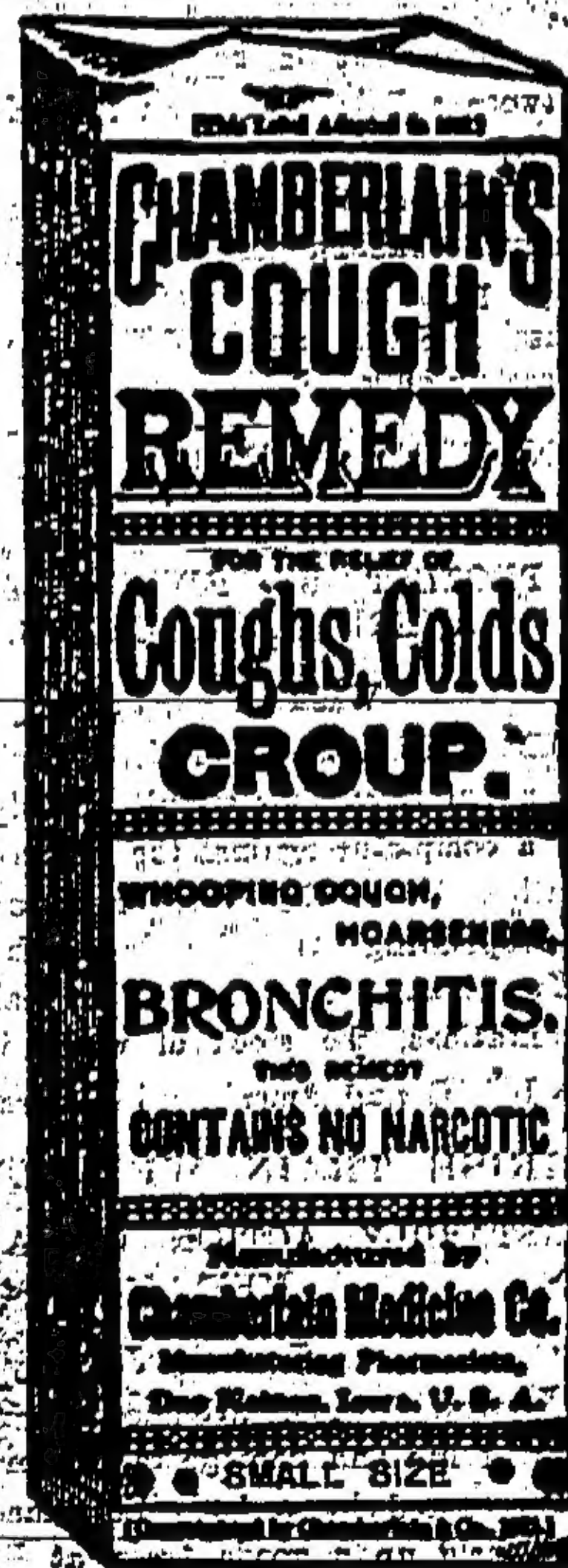


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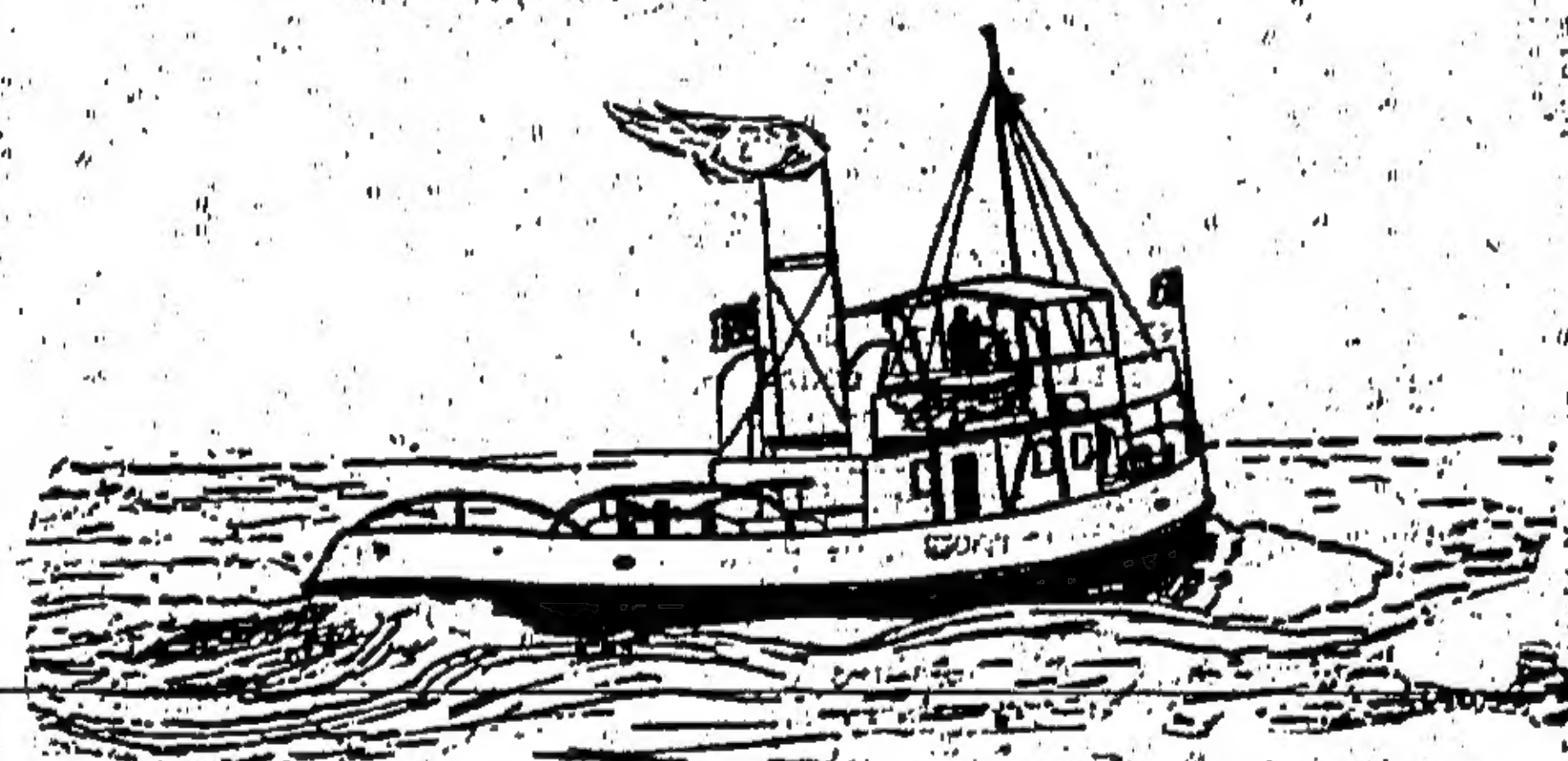


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WEATHER REPORT.

Jan. 7th, at 10.42.—Pressure has decreased moderately to slightly at the majority of reporting stations.

The anticyclone remains stationary over S.W. Japan. Another appears to be forming over S.E. Mongolia.

Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m., 7th Jan., 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.00 inches, against an average of 0.18 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon, 8th Jan., is as follows:—

District: Forecast: N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy, some drizzle or mist.

Hongkong to Gap Rock: N.E. winds, strong.

Formosa Channel: The same as Hongkong.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lanchow: The same as Hongkong.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as Hongkong.

AN EGYPTIAN TREASURE.

GREAT FIND AT THEBES.

(FROM "THE TIMES" CAIRO CORRESPONDENT.)

VALLEY OF THE KINGS, November 29th.

This afternoon Lord Carnarvon and Mr. Howard Carter revealed to a large company what promises to be the most sensational Egyptian discovery of the century. The find consists of a hoard of objects, the funeral paraphernalia of the Egyptian King Tutankhamen, one of the famous heretic kings of the Eighteenth Dynasty, who reigned over Amen. Little is known of the later kings, including Tutankhamen, and the discovery should add immensely to our knowledge of this period and of the great city of Thebes-Amarna, which was founded in the fifteenth century B.C. by Amenhotep IV., the first of the heretic kings.

The remarkable discovery announced today is the reward of patience, perseverance, and perspicacity. For nearly sixteen years Lord Carnarvon, with the assistance of Mr. Howard Carter, has been carrying out excavations on that part of the site of the ancient Thebes situated on the west bank of the Nile at Luxor. From time to time interesting historical data were unearthed, but nothing of a really striking character was found, although Deir el Bahari and Dr. Abul Neggar were diligently explored. Seven years ago work was started in the Valley of the Kings, after other excavators had abandoned the Valley. Here, again, the excavators had little success. At times they almost despaired of finding anything, yet they did not give up.

The search was continued systematically, and at last the dogged perseverance of Mr. Carter, his thoroughness, above all his faith, were rewarded by the discovery, where the Royal necropolis of the Theban Empire was situated, directly below the tomb of Ramesses VI., of what looked like a cache. Mr. Carter covered up the site, and telegraphed to Lord Carnarvon, who at once came out from England.

By this time news of the find had got about. The whole of Luxor, where every one down to the smallest urchin is an antiquity hunter, was agog. Great was the speculation in regard to the contents of the chamber. Would one of the missing kings be found inside? Was it the tomb of a queen or a high member of the Court of ancient Egypt (for the region is the burial place not only of many celebrated early Egyptian kings, but also of their wives and high officials)? Little, however, did Lord Carnarvon and Mr. Carter suspect the wonderful nature of the contents of the chambers—for there are more than one—as they stood outside. The sealed outer door was carefully opened, then a way was cleared down some sixteen steps along a passage of about 50 ft. The door to the chamber was found to be sealed as the outer door had been, and, as on the outer door, there were traces of relocking. With difficulty an entrance was effected, and when at last the excavators managed to squeeze their way in an extraordinary sight met their eyes; one that they could scarcely credit.

THE TREASURE WITHIN.

First they saw three magnificent State couches, all gilt, with exquisite carving and heads of Typhon, Hathor, and lion. On these rested beds, beautifully carved, gilt inlaid with ivory and semi-precious stones, and also innumerable boxes of exquisite workmanship. One of these boxes was inlaid with ebony and ivory, with gilt inscriptions; another contained embossed of the under-world; on a third, which contained Royal robes, handsomely embroidered, precious stones, and golden sandals, were beautifully painted hunting scenes.

There was a stool of ebony inlaid with ivory, with the most delicately carved duck's feet; also a child's stool of fine workmanship. Beneath one of the couches was the State Throne of King Tutankhamen, probably one of the most beautiful objects of art ever discovered. There was also a highly gilt chair, with portraits of the King and Queen, the whole encrusted with turquoise, cornelian, lapis, and other semi-precious stones.

Two life-sized bituminized statues of the King, with gold work holding a golden stick and mace, faced each other, the handsome features, the feet, and the hands delicately carved, with eyes of glass and head-dress richly studded with gems.

There were also chariots, the sides of which were encrusted with semi-precious stones and rich gold decoration. These were dismantled, with a charioteer's apron of leopard's skin hanging over the seat.

Other noteworthy objects were Royal sticks, one of ebony with the head of an Asiatic as a handle in gold, another of the handiwork of flint; work; also a stool for a throne with Asiatic figures carved on it, denoting that the King had placed his foot on the neck of the Asiatic prisoners taken in war. There were some quaint bronze musical instruments and a robing dummy for Royal wigs and robes.

There were also some exquisite alabaster vases with very intricate and unknown designs, all of one piece, and some handsome blue Egyptian faience, and enormous quantities of provisions for the dead, comprising trussed duck, haunches of venison, and all packed in boxes according to the remarkable wraiths, still looking evergreen, and one of the boxes contained rolls of papyrus, which are expected to render a mass of information.

A further chamber revealed an indescribable state of confusion. Here furniture, gold beds, exquisite boxes, and alabaster vases similar to those found in the first chamber were piled high one on top of the other, so closely packed that it has been impossible to get inside yet.

Numbers of these treasures are in a fairly good state of preservation, but others are in a somewhat precarious condition. The greatest care is being taken in handling them, however, and there is every hope that under Mr. Carter's capable direction most of them will be preserved, in the manner in which its contents were disposed of it is evident that this cache has not remained untouched since it was buried. There seems no doubt that this wonderful collection of objects formed part of the funeral paraphernalia of King Tutankhamen, whose carious is seen everywhere, in both its forms, and that they were originally placed, and in order to preserve them from thieves were transferred for safety to these chambers.

The sealing and blocking of the doors and passages which have so far been opened suggest that metal robbers had attacked these chambers and that in

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spectors of Ramesses IX. had reason to enter to rejoice them. From the famous Abbott and other people at the hands of these Royal tombs suffered at the hands of robbers. But, whatever the chambers may have contained originally, their contents to-day are sufficient cause for sensation in the Egyptological world. They considerably increase our knowledge of Ancient Egyptian history and art, and experts who were present at to-day's opening consider that the discovery will probably rank as the most important of modern times.

The discovery will clear up many obscure points in regard to the Eighteenth Dynasty, among others, that not only was Smonkhkara co-regent with Akhenaten, but it appears that he must have died, or retired the Throne, simultaneously with him.

Sepulchral objects of both monarchs here bear protocols of the reign, which was circa 1350 to 1320 B.C. marks a transition from the Aten faith back to the worship of Amen. Scenes and inscriptions upon his funeral furniture depict the king under both religious, first under the Aten faith, when he was named Tutankhaten or Living Image of Aten, and, secondly, in Theban style, under Amen worship, where he calls himself Tutankhamen, or the Living Image of Amun.

What adds interest to this discovery is that there is still yet a third sealed chamber, which, significantly, the two figures of the king discovered are guarding, and which may possibly turn out to be the actual tomb of King Tutankhamen, with members of the heretic family buried with him. Until the vast amount of material in the other chambers has been completely removed it will be impossible to ascertain the contents of this third chamber.

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CORDILLERE	1st Dec.	5th Jan.	6th Feb. "
ANGOS	15th Dec.	19th Jan.	20th Feb. "
ANGERS	29th Dec.	2nd Feb.	6th March, "

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S.S.	Tonnage	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"PLASSY"	7,500	10th Jan. 1923	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"NAGPORE"	4,200	19th Jan.	Singapore & Bombay.
"BOURBON"	6,700	25th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"BARDINIA"	6,500	24th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"NELLORE"	6,800	7th Feb.	do.
"DELTA"	8,000	7th Feb.	do.
"SICILIA"	6,700	16th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KHIVA"	9,000	21st Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"SICILIA"	6,800	15th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MOREA"	11,000	7th May	Bombay, Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"SOUDAN"	6,700	16th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KARIMR"	8,200	21st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"DONGOT"	8,000	4th Apr.	do.
"BANCA"	6,000	6th Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"NANKIN"	7,000	18th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KARIMR"	9,000	2nd May	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,000	16th May	do.
"NYANZA"	7,000	8th May	do.
"NOVARA"	6,500	13th June	do.
"DELTA"	8,097	27th June	do.
"MALWA"	10,941	11th July	do.
"DEVANHA"	8,000	25th July	do.

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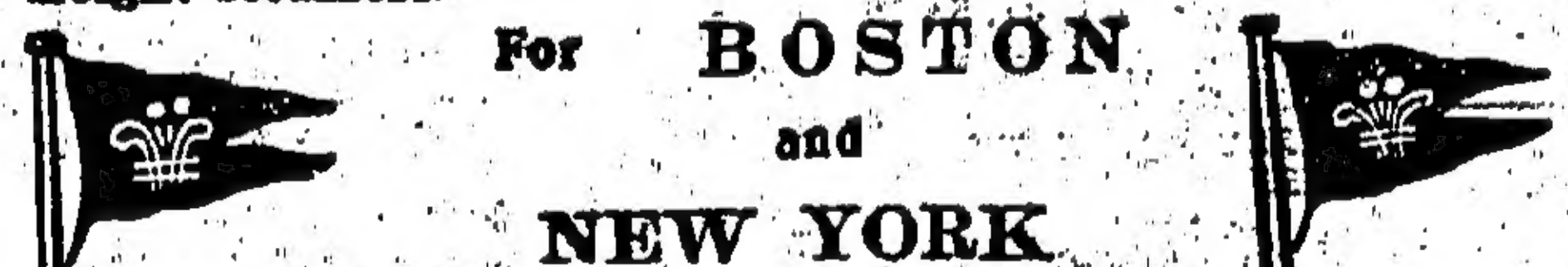
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"MEXICO MARU" ... Wednesday, 10th Jan.

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"LUZON MARU" ... Friday, 11th Jan.

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"ALASKA MARU" ... Monday, 22nd Jan.

JAPAN PORTS—Kobe & Yokohama ... Monday, 22nd Jan.

"KORON MARU" ... Monday, 22nd Jan.

SAILINGS TO SWATOW & AMOY—These Steamers have excellent accommodation for first and second class passengers.

"KALIO MARU" ... Tuesday, 9th Jan., 10 a.m.

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"RUMA MARU" ... Tuesday, 11th Jan.

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For	Steamer	To Sail
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"SHANTUNG"	On 8th Jan. 4 p.m.
HANGHAI	"CHUNGKING"	On 10th Jan. 4 p.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 11th Jan. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TUNGTAO	"LINAN"	On 13th Jan. D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWEIYANG"	On 13th Jan. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"YUNNAN"	On 14th Jan. D.L.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & PUKOW	"YINGCHOW"	On 14th Jan. D.L.
AMOY, SHANGHAI & TUNGTAO	"KANGHAI"	On 16th Jan. 10 a.m.
HOLKOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KANGHAI"	On 16th Jan. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KANGHAI"	On 16th Jan. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUICHANG"	On 18th Jan. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & AMOY	"KAYING"	On 18th Jan. 10 a.m.

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S.S. "FIDUR" ... sailing on or about 10th January.

S.S. "PERSIA" ... sailing on or about 20th January.

S.S. "FIDUR" ... sailing second half of January.

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LEAVES HONGKONG

ARRIVES MANILA

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INWARD MAILS

FROM	PER	DATE
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	St. Albans	8th inst.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	St. Albans	8th inst.
MANILA	St. Albans	8th inst.
SHANGHAI	President Grant	8th inst.
SHANGHAI	Andre Lebon	8th inst.
EUROPE via Suez (Letters & Papers)		
London, 7th Dec. 1922	Takada	9th inst.
JAPAN	Asa Maru	11th inst.
STRAITS	Southern	11th inst.
U.S.A., JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Pres. Madison	14th inst.
BOMBAY	Wakana Maru	14th inst.

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR	PER	DATE
*Swatow and Bangkok	Chidder	Monday, 8th 9:00 A.M.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2:30 P.M.
*Swatow and Bangkok	Kalgan	Tuesday, 9th 9:00 A.M.
Japan	Asa Maru	9:30 A.M.
Amoy	Tyialak	10:00 A.M.
Straits, Bangkok and Egypt	Eumaeus	10:00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fookow	Elafong	11:00 A.M.
Haiphong, Saigon, Suez, Bangkok, Ceylon, India via Dhanushkodi, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles, 12th Feb. 1923	Andre Lebon	Registration 2:45 P.M. Letters 4:30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central and South America and EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C. due Victoria, B.C. 29th Jan. 1923	Pres. Grant	Registration 5:00 P.M. Letters 8:00 P.M.
Ship Sails 10 a.m. 10th Jan.		
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles, 10th Feb. 1923	Plasy	Tuesday, 9th 5:00 P.M. Wednesday, 10th 9:00 A.M. Thursday, 11th 9:00 A.M. Friday, 12th 9:00 A.M.
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta & Aden	Hosang	Thursday, 11th 9:00 A.M.
Shanghai	Shanghai	Thursday, 11th 9:00 A.M.
Swatow	Hangsang	Thursday, 11th 9:00 A.M.
Amoy	Chungyang	Thursday, 11th 9:00 A.M.
Swatow	Hopsang	Friday, 12th 9:00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Yuenang	Friday, 12th 9:00 A.M.
Bangkok	Soudan	Saturday, 13th 10:30 A.M.
Philippine Islands	Pres. Madison	Saturday, 13th 3:30 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fookow	Haiching	Tuesday, 16th Noon
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles, 17th Feb. 1923	Komo Maru	Wednesday, 17th 8:45 A.M. Registration 9:30 A.M.

*Current calendar on pin, vessel's name only.

COMMERCIAL

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

6th January, 1923.

On London—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/3 1/2
Bank Bill, on demand	2/3 5/16
Bank Bill, at 30 days sight	2/3 1/2
Bank Bill, at 6 months sight	2/3 1/2
Credit, at 4 months sight	2/4 5/16
Documentary Bill, at 4 months sight	2/4 5/16
On Paris—	
Bank Bill, on demand	780
Credit, at 4 months sight	810
On New York—	
Bank Bill, on demand	53 1/2
Credit, at 60 days sight	54 1/2
On Bombay—	
Telegraphic Transfer	189 1/2
Bank Bill, on demand	189 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Telegraphic Transfer	169 1/2
Bank Bill, on demand	169 1/2
On Shanghai—	
Bank Bill, at sight	107 1/2
Private, 30 days sight	108 1/2
On Yokohama—On demand	107 1/2
On Manila—On demand	108 1/2
On Singapore—On demand	108 1/2
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